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NATION'S EYES ON CHICAGO

INDICATIONS NOW POINT TO NOMINATION OF TAFT

GREAT NUMBER OF NEGRO DELEGATES

Pinchback, Tyler and Others Early on the Scene of Action "Defection" Among Negroes Failed to Materialize.

By National Negro Press Bureau.

CHICAGO, Ill., June 10.—The eyes of the Nation are focused on Chicago, and will be until after the Republican National convention shall have completed the labors that are now in their preliminary stage.

The nomination of William Howard Taft on the first ballot, if not by acclamation, is more than assured. He has now in sight over 700 votes, and the convention will perforce resolve itself into a Taft ratification meeting, with oratorical fireworks and hair-raising "conflicts i' the deadly breach" as sidelights to entertain the vast crowd, which will insist that it get a run for its money.

The bottom dropped out of the campaign of the allies early in the game. The shrewd political generalship of Mr. Frank H. Hitchcock drew blood at the first day's session of the National committee, when the Alabama and Arkansas contests went so easily down the Taft road, with Kentucky following closely in their wake. The policy adopted by Mr. Hitchcock of having his proxies in the hands of himself and friends proved wise, for he was thus placed in a position where he could watch every move of the opposition and see whether those whom he had trusted were "totin' squar'" or not. The unexpected coup startled the "allies," and is described as a master stroke, one which outdid the clever Mark Hanna in his palmiest days of political leadership. Every indication points to-day to the nomination of Secretary Taft without serious opposition from any quarter.

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Advices reach us that the Washington advance guard, headed by Auditor Ralph W. Tyler, arrived on the scene fully a week ago, and from well-appointed headquarters at the Keystone set the ball rolling in vigorous fashion for the War Secretary. Many colored delegates claimed by the "allies" are said to have approached Mr. Tyler and suggested that steps be taken to have the Negro leaders of the South turn to Taft, as the preservation of the race's political future in that section depended upon their getting into touch with the forces that are most likely to win. Good advice was given the brethren by ex-Governor P. B. S. Pinchback, whose presence about the hotel corridors and in committee meetings indicates that the survivor of the "Old Guard" is as good as ever, and is doing business at the old stand. His sage counsel is having a salutary effect on the recalcitrants from Louisiana and Mississippi, who trust him as a brother and are willing to be guided by his judgment. It looks like the "good old times" to see the silver-haired nestor of politics again in the harness, treading the historic ground that once echoed to the nimble feet of Lynch, Cuney, Hill, Pledger and Bruce. In a day or so will come the leaders of the newer dispensation. From Ohio there will be Tyler, Myers, Hill, Martin, Brascher, Cottrill and others; Lewis, of Massachusetts; Anderson and Moore, of New York; Cummings, of Maryland; Napier, of Tennessee; Alexander, of Alabama; Lee, of Florida; Deas, Grant and Crum, of South Carolina; Dancy, of North Carolina; Lott, Tidrington and Knox, of Indiana; Crews and his hosts, of Missouri; Vernon and Chiles, of Kansas; Mahammitt, of Nebraska; De Mond and Thompson, of Iowa; McHenry, Jones, Gilmer and Waters, of West Virginia; Cohen, Kennedy and Ralph, of Louisiana; McDonald and Love, of Texas; Banks, Mollison, McAlister and Crayton, of Mississippi; Booze, of far-off Colorado, will all join in and make the welkin ring for the ticket that offers the colored American the best show for his "white alley." These men can be trusted; they are trusted, and the rank and file of the race will follow them out of the convention and stay with them until the polls close in November.

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The rumored "defection" among the Negroes has failed to materialize. The probable nomination of Taft, instead of scattering the colored cohorts, has tended to solidify them and is leading to conferences looking to a better mutual understanding among the representatives of the several States. There is a disposition to "get together" and devise ways and means of insuring the election of the ticket, realizing that a Democratic victory means a Supreme Court from which the Negro can expect no advanced ground on his constitutional rights; a Democratic victory means a cleaning out of all colored high-salaried officers, losing to the race thousands of dollars and the saving influence that high station carries in its train; there will be a sweep of the army of colored clerks, messengers, laborers and helpers in the departments at Washington, and doubtless an onslaught on the postoffices, revenue offices, etc., throughout the States where many colored men are employed. These men are buying homes, rearing children and building up the religious, commercial and social life of their localities, and to turn them out would spell calamity to the race. Futile attempts have been made to get up anti-Taft demonstrations among the colored people of Chicago, but no success has resulted from the efforts of the agents of the "allies" beyond a few desultory sermons from certain pulpits, the effect of which was neutralized and discounted in advance by the knowledge of the arrangements that drew them out. The rumor that a carload of colored men were to be imported from Cincinnati to protest against the Taft nomination vanished into thin air, and the gossipers are sadly in need of a new morsel to roll upon their tongues. The Taft Colored League is keeping "open house," and President S. Laing Williams, Secretary L. B. Anderson, Oscar De Pruest, F. A. Dennison, Dr. George C. Hall, Major R. R. Jackson, Dr. M. A. Majors, Dr. J. W. McDowell and other prominent members are showing the incoming throng some fair samples of Chicago hospitality. Mr. Sandy W. Trice is a whole show by himself, and Messrs. Lewis and Neighbors are putting in some strenuous licks. Many responses are being received by Col. John R. Marshall from those invited to attend the grand reception and exhibition drill at the First Regiment Armory, tendered by the officers and men of the Eighth Illinois Regiment, the finest drilled body of soldiers in the State and the only colored regiment maintained by any State in the Union. The function will be held on the 18th, and it will be the most elaborate social affair ever given by the colored citizens of Chicago.

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The colored delegates from the South who permitted themselves to get "hooked up" in hopeless contests are being treated with the utmost consideration by the Taft managers. Some were honestly misled by their feeling that the administration was inimical to the welfare of the colored people, and were moved to try every expedient to prove their loyalty to the gallant Senator Foraker, and they deserve credit for the lofty impulse to stand by a man who has been standing by them. Others, however, merely wanted to "run things," whether or no, and marched out of conventions because they had not the numbers or influence to control them, initiating contests on trivial grounds, with the hope of reaping something out of the "break-up" when it came. This latter class were shown "short-shrift" by the Hitchcock managers. The charge of "lily-whitism," while having some justification in some isolated instances, did not cut nearly the figure its promoters hoped for, because in almost every case the Taft faction not only sustained its claim to "regularity," but included in its list of delegates the names of some of the race's most representative citizens, men who stood high in their communities, who paid taxes and who stood for character and solid achievement. The convention roster will carry the names of more colored delegates than any other National convention in recent years, and the "lily whites" will gather small comfort from the meager fruit that has come from their much-advertised and widely-exploited efforts in the Southland. The Republican party is anchored to its old moorings, and there will be found ample room upon the "deck" of which the immortal Frederick Douglass was wont to speak in such affectionate terms. No Negro will find justification for leaping into the "sea" of Bryanism, where Heflin, Tillman and Vardaman sharks abound.

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Discussing Secretary Taft's impressive personality the other day, in Washington, a widely-known colored journalist, who has written much and well for the leading papers of both races, said:

"William Howard Taft is undoubtedly of presidential size. The battle has been fought out on its merits, and after scanning the man from every possible angle, the American people have made up their mind that he is just the caliber of an executive needed at this juncture in our National affairs. Calm, sedate and well-poised, yet genial and kindly in all his dealings, public and private, he meets every issue with an open mind, expresses his views with a frankness that leaves no doubt as to his honesty, and possesses a courage given to few ambitious for official preferment. It was this characteristic frankness that impelled him to speak out at the Grant memorial meeting at Riverside Park, and it was just like him to fear nothing at the hands of a few squeamish ones when he rose to the sublime height in pointing out to the young the magnificent lesson shown in Grant's will power in overcoming an early weakness which threatened to wreck his later brilliant career. No right-thinking man or woman will attribute any unworthy motive to the Secretary's remarks, and the effort to arouse the resentment of the old soldiers on the one hand and the Negroes on the other has died a-bornin'—as it should have done. Not an ounce of political capital can be made out of the incident, and it will be forgotten by the time the convention gets well under way.

"Secretary Taft's characteristic frankness is likewise observable in his addresses at Greensboro, Tuskegee, Lexington, Kansas City and Brooklyn, when he took up issues involved in the suffrage problem in the South," continued the journalist. "No critic can point to a single utterance in which Mr. Taft has ever indorsed the disfranchisement of the Negro. Mr. Taft, with a judicial bent of mind, treats the restriction of the suffrage as a fact that unfortunately exists. It is backed up by the laws of certain States, or is permitted through the false and dis-Thomas, manager. The line-up of the criminating interpretation of laws by administrative officers, who enforce statutes against Negroes, but allow whites to evade them. Mr. Taft's voice has been lifted up against this discrimination. If the State has the right to make qualifications for suffrage, then the laws should mean the same for both races. This was the burden of the Greensboro speech, which has been misunderstood by more people than any other, perhaps, in the long list of addresses made by the Secretary. In all of the utterances made on this question Mr. Taft has taken the role of analyst, and after diagnosing the disease with candor and exactness, has endeavored to point the victim to a remedy that will prove practicable and possible, if not as speedy in its effects as some would desire. He deals with conditions, rather than with theories or ideals. When noe cannot butt down a stone wall, it is Mr. Taft's opinion that it is the part of wisdom to take the time and patient labor that will be required to climb over or go around it. If somebody in power makes it necessary for the Negro to get education or property in order to vote, the Negro who wishes to vote, and cannot do it in any other way at this time, will proceed to get education and property; but, the white man should be made to do the same or remain voteless. This is the sum and substance of Secretary Taft's philosophical deliverances. He believes in enforcing every paragraph in the Federal Constitution, but when blocked by State laws that cannot be brushed aside at once, he counsels the black man to make the most of the things that are possible until the way can be opened to better things. He is assisting the Negro to solve his problem in the same way the white man had to solve his own. I am convinced that when installed in the White House President Taft will be one of the very best friends the Negro ever had in the chair that Lincoln, Grant and Roosevelt have graced."

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Speeches seconding the nominations of the various candidates for President will be made by colored "spell-binders" of National reputation. Among those who may be selected to electrify the delegates and set rivers of enthusiasm to flowing may be mentioned C. W. Anderson, of New York; J. E. Bush, of Arkansas; Roscoe Conkling Simmons, of New York; C. A. Cottrill, of Ohio; W. H. Lewis, of Massachusetts, and perhaps John C. Dancy or W. T. Vernon. All have silver tongues of many karats fine.

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The Foraker League has moved into town and established headquarters.

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Gurley Brewer, of Indiana, has gotten into action; so has Gilchrist Stewart, of New York. Roscoe Simmons, J. W. Poe, W. T. Ferguson and others of the "faithful" are expected at any moment.

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Nathan H. Alexander, of Alabama, has been reappointed Register of the Land Office at Montgomery, Ala. Mr. Alexander is one of Alabama's most highly respected citizens, and his retention is indisputable evidence of his satisfactory service as Register.

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If there is anything in current talk, Freedmen's Hospital, at Washington, will be one of the big prizes for which the medical men of administration leanings will aspire when the sheaves are to be gathered in next spring. Already Dr. J. W. McDowell, of Chicago, has served notice that he wants the post of surgeon-in-chief of his alma mater; Dr. George C. Hall is said to be an aspirant for the shoes once worn by his fellow-townsmen, Drs. A. M. Curtis and Daniel H. Williams, and Dr. U. G. Mason, of Birmingham, Ala., is another eminent surgeon who is said to be willing to leave his Southern home to offer himself upon the altar of his Nation's medical altar on Howard Hill.

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The victory of Senator Allison in Iowa is pleasing to his thousands of colored friends throughout the country. The venerable statesman has helped the black man in season and out of season in the matter of securing appropriations of a liberal size for many institutions and causes dear to the heart of the race, and by seeing to it that we are given generous recognition in the Federal service and kept on the government pay roll. The reelection of Senator Allison was a just tribute to one of nature's noblemen.

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President Roosevelt makes no concealment of his pleasure over the way things are going at Chicago. He is out of consideration for the nomination, unless the unforeseen should happen, when the name of Roosevelt will be an inspiring one to conjure with. He is for Taft. Vice President Fairbanks has also declared himself out of consideration as a possible nominee for the vice presidency, but it may be shown him that it is his duty to accept the call of the party, and he may yet be induced to take a renomination. Secretary Cortelyou or Representative Sherman, of New York, are prime favorites for second place.

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Bishop Walters has been strangely silent since the Philadelphia conference. It is an open secret that the gang which ran that pro-Bryan affair did not give the eloquent prelate a "square deal." It was proposed by Trotter, Sinclair, Scott and others in charge of the machinery to consolidate all of the existing race protective bodies, and to place Bishop Walters at the head of the combine. Rev. J. Milton Waldron, of Washington, was elected instead, and the Bishop dropped out of the deal in disgust over the sharp practice of men for whom he had risked his popularity and reputation for political sagacity. It is said that Bishop Walters is now prepared to accept the nomination of Mr. Taft and work for his election. He is expected in Chicago this week to boom ex-Governor Murphy, of New Jersey, for second place on the National ticket.

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Mr. F. H. Hitchcock, commenting upon the frenzied action of the element which is trying its level best to stir up strife among the colored people and to array them against Taft, alleging that unfair methods have been adopted to keep colored delegates from the South out of the convention, enters a vigorous denial of the charge. Said he: "There is no justification for the charge that Negroes are being discriminated against. In point of fact, the delegates that have been seated thus far have carried in more colored men from the South than would have gone in if the other side had been seated."

It pays to be fair in statement and in action.

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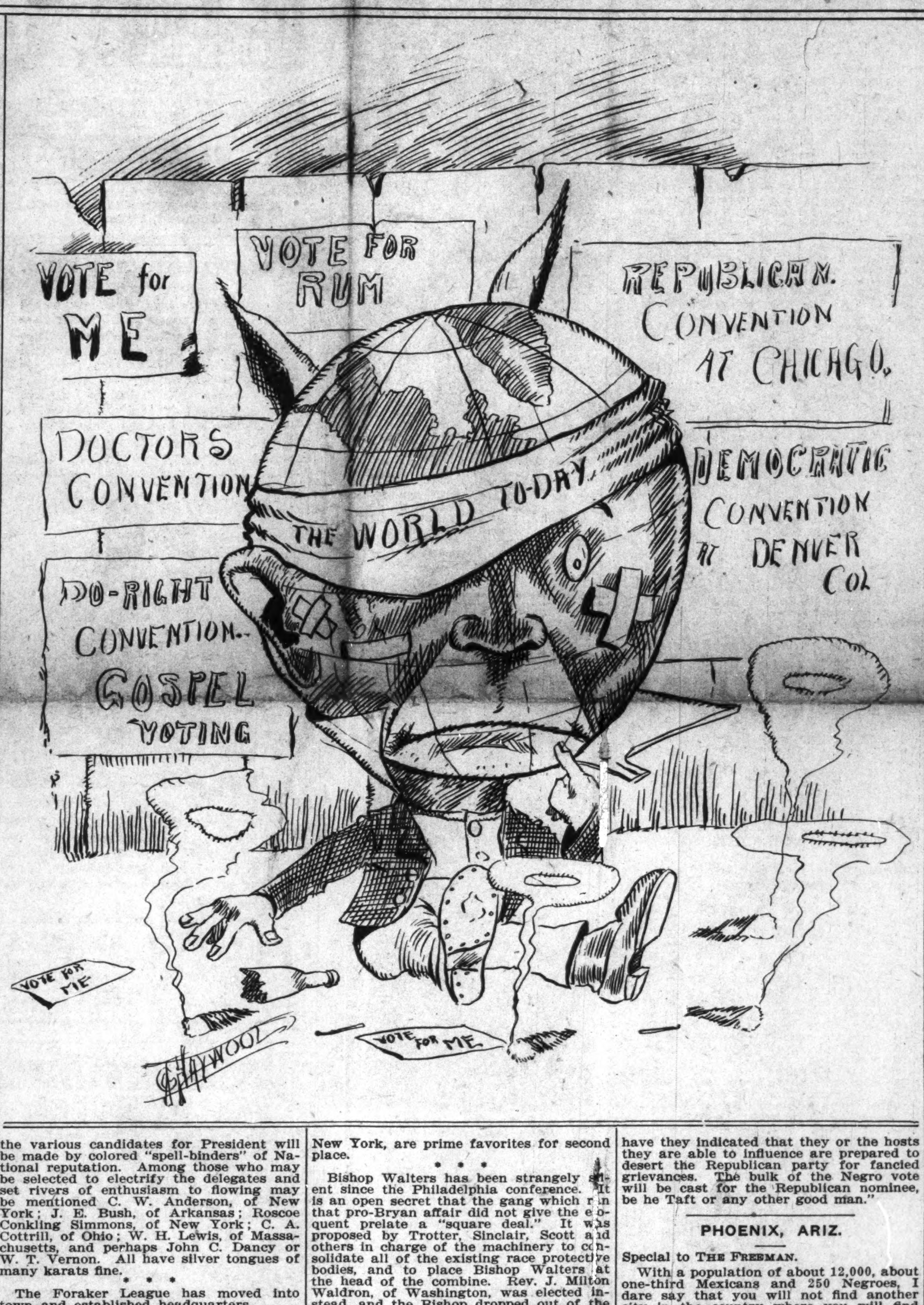
Rev. I. Tolliver, pastor of the Liberty Baptist Church, at Washington, is out in a card ridiculing the assumption of Rev. J. Milton Waldron, head of the American Negro Political Alliance, that the entire Baptist Church, embracing over 2,000,000 souls, can be lined up solidly against Taft or the administration of President Roosevelt on the Brownsville or any other issue. After showing that the Brownsville matter is well on the way toward solution on just lines, Dr. Tolliver goes on to say:

"I beg to say to you, as a Baptist pastor, known throughout the length and breadth of this country, that the Baptist denomination has not committed themselves to the Democratic party or to oppose the administration of Theodore Roosevelt. * * * The National Negro American League, as represented by Dr. J. M. Waldron, will not be able to deliver the Negro vote against the administration nor against Secretary Taft, if he is the nominee of the Republican party. Dr. E. C. Morris, president of the National Baptist Convention; Dr. C. T. Walker, president of the Walker Institute at Augusta, Ga., and Dr. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee Institute, are leading Baptists, in whom all of our denomination have unlimited faith, and they have not as yet advised the Negro Baptists to follow Dr. Waldron into the Democratic party, nor have they indicated that they or the hosts they are able to influence are prepared to desert the Republican party for fancied grievances. The bulk of the Negro vote will be cast for the Republican nominee, be he Taft or any other good man."



HIGH SCHOOL EXERCISES

RUSSELL SCHOOL CLOSES AT LEXINGTON, KY.

BANNER YEAR, OF THE INSTITUTION

Lee Ernest Makes Forceful Address on "Night Riding"—Dress of Graduates Unusally Becoming—Many Friends Present.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LEXINGTON, Ky., June 8.—Last Friday night at the Lexington Opera House occurred the annual commencement exercises of the Russell High School. It was the eighteenth annual commencement and it was the most interesting in the history of the institution. There were friends present from surrounding towns and they filled the house from pit to dome. This was Russell's banner year, and it closed in a blaze of glory. At 8:30 o'clock Prof. G. P. Russell, principal of the school, marched on the stabe beside the valedictorian, followed by the other graduates, who occup deiseats on the front row. In the rear were six elevated rows, occupied by sixty students who formed the Singing Society and the Glee Club. The exercises were opened by the Rev. W. L. Johnson, pastor of the Congregational church.

The most striking feature of the evening's exercises was the lack of over dress. Each graduate wore a plain but becoming clothes. As an evidence that the exercises were interesting and appreciative one member of the class had to respond to an encore, and by the request of Superintendent Cassidy "Swanee River" was sung by Miss Cora Boulder. By far the most forceful address and striking part of all the orations was that of Lee Ernest White, on "Night Riding." He took up the cause of night riding and its baneful effect upon the state and country, and urged that the strong arm of public sentiment be aroused to a greater extent in putting down the crimes that have been committed in Kentucky for the last six months. "Great Women," by Miss Pearl Payne, was one of the best essays delivered. Without manuscript, with voice and jesture almost perfect, she handled her subject in excellent manner and brought forth repeated applause. She vividly discussed many of the great women of both races, and closed paying a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Booker T. Washington and the poet of the race, Sojourner Truth.

Another brilliant oration was that of Levi Royalty Hardin, subject, "Let There Be Light." His subject matter was well prepared, and he spoke with much fevor and dignity. "Build Your Own Monuments," by Miss Edith Marshall, was a delightful essay and it was among the best essays delivered. "The Woman's Influence on the History of the World" was an oration delivered by Miss Lottie V. Stewart, who was valedictorian of the class. Miss Stewart held up the reputation of her school by delivering her address masterly from beginning to end. The orations and essays were closed by Alexander Stevenson, subject, "Sowing the Seed." While he brought up the rear, he was by no means the most lightly appreciated. He intelligently argued for the sowing of good character and reaping the benefits thereof. He received much applause. Throughout all the essays and orations the idea prevailed that self-reliance, intelligent effort effort were among the characteristics that they must possess in order to be useful on entering life's battle.

The boxes were filled with white friends and a number of the Board of Education. The music, said one of the trustees, "was excellent and showed much training." All the choruses were full of harmony, sweetness and tone. William Alexander, an alumnus of the school, sang a baritone solo. The exercises were in every way creditable to the supervision of Prof. G. P. Russell. The efficiency of the teachers and discipline of the school makes it stand out as one of the leading educational institutions in the State of Kentucky. Many gratifying results have come from the school, and diplomas have been given to students who have gone out into the world and developed successful careers. The school has connected with it a domestic science department, and at an early date an industrial department will be established for boys. The prnicipal of the school, Prof. G. P. Russell, is one of the ablest educators in the state. In March, 1895, by request of Mayor C. H. Duncan and the citizens of Lexington, the name of Prof. G. P. Russell was placed in front of the high school and named thereof for his meritorious and excellent work, and made supervisor of all the colored schools. The position was created for him. The superintendent favored turning the colored schools over to him on the ground that he could give better service. In April, 1895, the board gave him a leave of absence and he visited the leading colored schools in the country. In 1896 he was given another leave to visit the leading colleges in the country. Under him the school here has made great headway.

CARY B. LEWIS.

PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

With a population of about 12,000, about one-third Mexicans and 250 Negroes, I dare say that you will not find another city in the country where you will find such unity as exist between the races and less of the undesirable citizen, and it would be well for all our people to fashion after the colored people of Phoenix. Every one that come here to make their home it is not long before they are making the effort to buy their own home. They hold their own in the barber business. Robert Stevens Hotel Adams barber shop, John Lucas, Geo. W. Caldwell and Louis Noble, all doing good business and barbers making ood living wages. Mr. W. Crump is one of the most successful wholesale and retail fruit dealers in the city. He has the honor of taking the first carload of Arizona oranges to the Eastern market. What we want now is that desirable class of colored peolle. Good women cooks get from $30 to $60 per month, men cooks from $80 to $125 per month, waiters $40 up. Waiters are in demand. Good opportunities for the right men and women. The climate here beats the world summers are a little hot, but winters are ideal—Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Hayes, New York City, is in our midst. Mr. Hayes is chef at the Ford Hotel....Rev. James Washington, presiding elder, returned after visiting his different charges at Bisbee, Douglass, Tueson and Globe, Arizona, finding the church work in good condition.... J. G. Garter, lately of Tucson, Ariz., is one of our weekly visitors....Master Eddie Noble has completely recovered from his recent illness....J. G. Roberts, of Prescott, is in Phoenix visiting and on business connected with his store. Mr. Roberts is one of Prescott's leading citizens.

NORWICH, CONN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Tewentieth Century Improved Louise De Mortie Club are rehearsing for a drama to be enacted in the near future. ....Mrs. Maria Dickson and little nephew have returned to New York City after a pleasant stay with Mrs. Hamilton, of North street....Mrs. Louden and daughter Hazel have returned to Danielson, Conn., after spending a week with Mrs. David Green, of Baltic street....Services were well attended at the various churches Sunday. There was united baptising at the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church Sunday, June 7....William Thompson, of New London, was in town visiting friends....Miss Hattie Cook and Mr. L. Malbone spent Sunday in Ledyard.

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

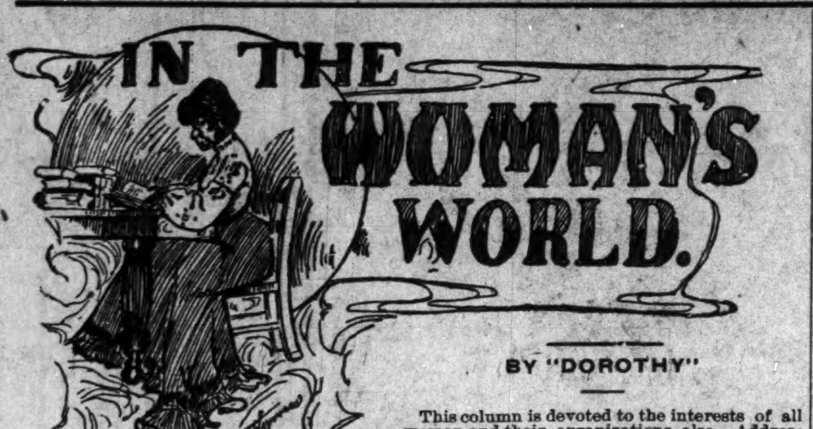
Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Brooks died Tuesday night and was buried Thursday. The funeral was conducted by her pastor at the A. M. E. church....Mrs. Traylor died Monday and the funeral was held Wednesday evening at the Tabernacle Baptist church....Mrs. Harper died Tuesday night and was buried Thursday evening from the Baptist church. ....Call up 1393 and have Leonard Sparks bring you a Freeman every Saturday evening.

NEGRO PRIEST OFFICIATES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

BALTIMORE, Md., June 7.—Probably for the first time in the history of the Roman Catholic Church in this country, three colored priests officiated at high mass at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church today. The three priests, Rev. C. R. Uncles, J. Henry Dorsey and J. J. Plantevigne, are graduates of St. Josephs Seminary, this city.



IN THE WOMAN'S WORLD.

BY "DOROTHY"

This column is devoted to the interests of all women and their organizations also. Address all communications to Dorothy, The Freeman Indianapolis, Ind.

WOMEN TO FIGHT SUFFRAGISTS.

Prominent opponents of woman suffragists of London, have formed the "National Woman's Anti-Suffrage Association" to combat the suffragettes' campaign.

A circular will be issued setting forth the principles and objects of the association. It will have numerous signers, including the Marchioness of Tweedale, the Countess of Jersey, Mrs. Humphrey Ward, Lady Dunraven and Lady Rothchild.

The promoters say they wish to combat the spirit of sex antagonism which the woman suffrage propaganda is arousing. They want the fact recognized that men and women are not antagonistic, but complementary.

They believe that women's sphere is the home, and, while granting women's work in municipal bodies has been valuable, and should be continued, they protest against bestowing the parliamentary franchise upon them.

They contend that the effectiveness of women's legislative power could not exceed the limits of the moral force exercised by their influence on men.

INFLUENCE WITHOUT VOTE.

This influence is immense without the vote, and it would naturally be lessened proportionally as the women attempted to become the competitors and rulers of men. The promoters add:

"Not a few women object to having the franchise forced upon them. They are well aware that in a mapority of cases the women would simply show their views to their male relatives, in which case the franchise would be useless. In others discord might result from their opposition, in which case it would be pernicious."

Miss Beulah Walker, who graduated in 1905 from Summer High School, has spent two years at Meharry Medical College, from which she will finish in 1909.

When a man asks you why you can't make bread as his mother used to make it, simply give him a chilling glance and ask him why he can't make "dough" as your father used to make it.—Helen Rowland, in New York World.

Binks—"Very few women have any knowledge of parliamentary law."

Jinks—"You should hear my wife. She has been speaker of the house for the last 12 years."—New York Press.

The report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at the Methodist Conference in Baltimore shows that there are 5,998 auxiliary societies, 159,100 members, 1,493 young people's societies with 39,923 members. The finances for the society for the quardriennium totals $2,392,478. The society gave $73,000 for the Indian jubilee and $42,856 for the China centennial. The society has real estate valued at over a million dollars. It has 313 missionaries in active service, 108 new missionaries having been sent out during the past four years.

SOME GOOD BOOKS.

"The Barrier," by Beach; "The Black Bag," by Vance; "The Shuttle," by Burnett; "Old Wives for New," Phillips; "The Lady of the Decoration," Little; "The Fair Morn of Bath," Ellis.

TO IMPROVE CANNED GOODS.

It is said that vegetables and fruit which have been hermatically sealed should be opened a couple of hours before using, in order that the oxygen may return. This plan will take away the peculiar flavor that nearly all canned things have, says a contributor to the June Delineator.

USING PERFUME.

There is scarcely anything more disagreeable than an overscented atmosphere; yet, unfortunately, the women who know the quantity of the scent which will enhance the charm of her presence and the amount which will prove quite the reverse, is very rare. The woman who can not afford more costly perfumes will do well to pin her faith to the ever popular lavender.

CARE OF TAN SHOES.

Before wearing your tan shoes, polish them with a good russet shoe polish. If this is done, spots can be cleaned off more readily. Many of the shoe-polishing stands turn your boots very dark. There is one brand of polish, however, that if applied by yourself will keep the shoes their natural color. One girl keeps her tan boots in good condition by rubbing them with a slice of banana, and then polishing with a soft cloth.

AGE LIMIT FOR TEACHERS.

The older teachers in Chicago's public schools are lamenting over the passage of a resolution by the School Board "Oslerizing" Chicago's public school system. Hereafter no person over fifty will be admitted to a teaching position.

The resolution was passed on the theory that this age limit "appears to be the point at which the mental and physical vigor of those who come to us has begun to decline."

The elder teachers to-day declared that, as a matter of fact, a woman teacher is at her best between the ages of fifty and sixty. The ruling does not affect teachers already employed.

NURSE AT THE POLLS.

A novel feature of the election held recently at Bellevue, Idaho, was having a nurse at the polls to attend to the babies while their mothers voted. The wealthy women of the community are said to have exerted themselves to furnish their poorer sisters with every facility in their power to enable them to go to the polls. Those possessing carriages sent them around to bring women who would otherwise have had to walk. In many instances women, after casting their own ballots, would hurry to the homes of other women and care for their households, thus allowing them to vote without neglect of their duties.

WOMEN FAVOR PURE FOOD.

A mass meeting of woman's clubs, Terre Haute, Ind., has been called and a new movement for pure food started. Each member of the twenty-five clubs has asked one or more women friends to accompany her. Its estimated that there are five hundred membrs in th city. Mrs. W. W. Parsons, wife of the president of the State Normal College, who is prominent in club work, says: "It will be one of the biggest things ever done by Terre Haute women if we carry out our intentions. I can not make the purpose public for fear that by doing so I would defeat our aim."

Inspector Owens has delivered addresses before the county medical society and city officials as to tuberculosis in dairy cows. The physicians and officials approved his recommendations for a city ordinance providing for a tubercular test, but the city attorney ruled that the city had no authority to impose the test on cows beyond the city limits, though the milk be sold inside the city limits. The Board of Health has legal advice to the contrary, and will ask the City Council to pass the ordinance.

RIGHT TO ENTER PROFESSIONS.

Women physicians took a stand advocating the right of girls to enter any profession or to engage in any business in preference to becoming wives and mothers at yesterday's session of the American Academy of Medicine, held at the Lexington Hotel, at Chicago.

Several men physicians read papers deploring the fact that too many women unsexed themselves by forsaking home life for industrial work, and asserted that the future of the race depended upon the checking of "this widespreading evil."

Then Dr. Helen C. Putnam, of Providence, R. I., got an opportunity to speak and she startled the audience by declaring she was in favor of woman suffrage. She said, in part:

"Every woman has the right to develop her best faculties, to become educated, and to enter a business field, where she meets many men, so she can select the father for her children. Women who have had experience in business life have learned that the making of homes is more than simply an instinct. Woman's influence is for good throughout the world, and the more women who enter a profession or business the better the business or profession becomes. I favor establishing a study of 'homemaking' in the public schools of our country."

FAVORS WOMAN'S SUFFRAGE.

Dr. Emma Culbertson, of Boston, came to th eaid of Dr. Putnam. She said:

"Of course, you men tell of woman's vanity and the fascination the other sex has for her, and talk about her frailty and general uselessness in business life. I'm with Dr. Putnam. I even favor woman suffrage.

"Every woman is a human being and entitled to the best development in any line she chooses, whether domestic, business or professional. The farther woman spreads her influence the better the world.

"Look at our girls in the high schools—big, ruddy-cheeked, wholesome, rollicksome girls. And what are our boys? Just little stumpy fellows. And still you assert these girls should not be given an equal showing with the men of the future generation.

"Co-operation of the two sexes alone is needed to settle the question of th eplace of women in business life."

Dr. Edward Jackson, of Denver, Colo., came to the aid of the women, asserting conditions had changed during the last hundred years, and that women should be allowed to change their habits and occupations.

DEPLORES LACK OF HOUSEWIVES.

Dr. Otto Juettner, of Cincinnati, in his paper, "Women in Business as Affecting the Future of the Race," said, in uart:

"The lack of housewives and domestic servants is disrupting society and home life. It is driving families from houses to flats and from flats to hotels.

"I have no sympathy with women who work in stores or other industrial institutions for starvation wages when there are thousands of homes in which they can get respectable employment better fitting themselves for married life.

"Women competing with men simply lower the wage scale, cause a lack of support by men, and a tendency toward singleness.

"A woman has no right to enter any occupation excepting domestic, nursing, teaching and kindred vocations. Matrimony is the better paid and easier occupation. Marriage simply is blocked by the employment of young girls. They learn stenography, and then, through seeing melodramatic plays, enter business life with the expectation of marrying the millionaire hero who becomes infatuated with them."

Dr. George H. Hoxie, of Kansas City, in talking about education of women, declared it was a deplorable fact that teachers in public schools received lower wages than hodcarriers.

FROM ACROSS THE SEA.

Doings of the Twenty-Fifth Infantry in the Philippines.

PARANG, MORO PROVINCE, P. I., March 15, 1908.—On the recent occasion of Secretary Taft's visit to the Philippines, it was a pleasure of ashrdlushrdlupup it was the pleasure of a squadron of the Tenth Cavalary to be his escort into the City of Manila and out to Fort William McKinley. Upon his arrival he saw before him a collection of well-groomed horses and polished equipments, and more than that he saw a body of most soldierly men (and we need not suppose that they were polished, also), and that body of men and mounts were a part of the brilliant Tenth Cavalary. So well did they appear before him and so orderly were their deportment that the Secretary commended them in most exulting words, viz: "I desire to commend the squadron, that was my escort, upon their most soldierly appearance and orderliness and desire to say that I have never seen a better or neater body of men." Very good, isn't it? Especially so, as itcomes from such an authority on militarism as the Secretary of War and the controlling head of the Army, and because it expresses to the prejudiced and narrow-minded populace (who desires to place the Negro soldier in an inferior rank with the soldier who is blonco), the unbiased sentiment of Secretary Taft that he Negro soldier is "all right." There are probably a score or more of soldiers of this regiment who will retire before the expiration of our tour of foreign service. The service of these men have been faithful and honest to the military service for thirty years and more, whose record of service extends into the 70's. Men who have seen and participated in campaigns and expeditions against the hostile Indians, in the expedition into Mexico, in the recent Spanish-American War and the Philippine Insurrection. These men will go into private life as representatives of Uncle Sam's "best" soldiers. Too much praise can not be given them for the half of their hardships and heart-rending scenes have not been told. We remember seeing one soldier leave our ranks forever, with tears in his eyes. We don't know whether be cried for joy or sorrow because of his departure from us, but we do know he cried, and we do not believe there are many who leave us through retirement, who do not shed many a tear as he bids farewell to the boys "in blue." "I don't know why I love you, but I do-o-o." We remember the old saying, "'Once a professional, always a professional," and I can truly apply it to the retiring soldier: "Once a soldier, always a soldier." No wonder then that he regrets to leave us even though he had waited for that very day for many, many years. In the army he is at home, but in civilian life he is a lost child. A stranger in a strange land. Among those who have retired at this writing and since our stay over here might be mentioned: Chief Musician John N. Norton, Drum Major John Crosby and Color Sergeant Richard Craig. Each of which will be remembered by them and by us to the end of life's journey. Among those who will retire in the near future are Sergt. Martin and Cook Scott, of Company "A," and Sergt. Anderson of Company "B." May they ever remain as a conspicuous character of the old army colored soldier.

Many young men who entered the army upon their imagination and scenes that were pictured to them of a soldier's life have found it in its realization so far different from what they supposed it to be, that the realization has made them very much discontented. But day by day we become to realize the necessity for such hard work and strenuous efforts upon our part. Because we see in it the making of well trained soldiers. Such soldiers, though being few in number, would be willing and able to face a most obstinate force of aggressors. Then, too, we realize that because of our color, we have to do more than any other soldier to hold a place in the world's forces of guardsmen.

The church services are still drawing an excellent congregation of soldier boys an dwe have a most excellent choir composed entirely of boys in khaki and bronze buttons. The Bible Class which meets every Wednesday evening has a very large attendance of bible students. I remember when I saw my first regiment of soldiers some years ago, I didn't think much of them. Such a roving, burly, uncouth mass of men they were; but they were volunteers, and, no doubt, they cared little of their deportment for they were aware that the volunteer soldier is only for emergency purposes and soon he would cast aside his uniform. But for the benefit of those who have seen the ruthless volunteer and believes all soldiers, regulars and militia, are just as disorderly and undisciplined as were those whom they saw, I desire to say, there is not enough room inside of our chapel to accommodate the soldiers of this regiment, and men that frequent church services are, as a general rule, good men. We are more than pleased with our Chaplain, whose sermons are so characteristic, eloquent and philosophical. We only wish there were more ministers of his valor.

The 25th Infantry Literary Society is still proving a drawing card for the members of this post. There are many lively topics discussed and the meetings are filled with humor and good feelings.

We send our regards to friends.

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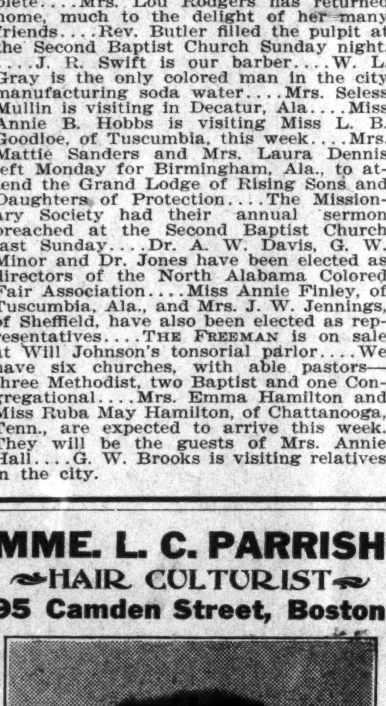
Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Cornelia Carroll, of New Orleans, La., is expected to arrive in Sheffield in a few days, and will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frances Reed....Miss Carrie Shine will leave soon for Memphis, Tenn., and Hot Springs....Sunnie Byrd spent Sunday at his home in Decatur, Ala.... Mrs. Ellen Blair was called to Carbonhill, Ala., Monday, to the sick bed of her sister....The Women's Missionary Society had their annual sermon preached last Sunday evening at the Second Baptist Church, by Rev. F. Watkins. A very interesting paper was read by Mrs. Belle Roach. Excellent music was rendered by Mrs. Mamie James, the organist....The citizens of Sheffield assembled at the city cemetery last Saturday, May 30, to decorate the graves of their loved ones. After devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C. J. Nichols, of the C. M. E. Church, a line of march was formed and marched to Woodside Park to listen to the interesting program. The following persons spoke: Revs. B. Crawford, C. J. Nichols, Thedford McKinney, M. L. Monroe, Mr. Thomas Gipson, Sr., Prof. F. H. Bowser and Willis Carter. Mrs. Mamie James presided at the piano, and the sweet music rendered by the choir made the program complete....Mrs. Lou Rodgers has returned home, much to the delight of her many friends....Rev. Butler filled the pulpit at the Second Baptist Church Sunday night. ....J. R. Swift is our barber....W. L. Gray is the only colored man in the city manufacturing soda water....Mrs. Seless Mullin is visiting in Decatur, Ala....Miss Annie B. Hobbs is visiting Miss L. B. Goodloe, of Tuscumbia, this week....Mrs. Mattie Sanders and Mrs. Laura Dennis left Monday for Birmingham, Ala., to attend the Grand Lodge of Rising Sons and Daughters of Protection....The Missionary Society had their annual sermon preached at the Second Baptist Church last Sunday....Dr. A. W. Davis, G. W. Minor and Dr. Jones have been elected as directors of the North Alabama Colored Fair Association....Miss Annie Finley, of Tuscumbia, Ala., and Mrs. J. W. Jennings, of Sheffield, have also been elected as representatives....THE FREEMAN is on sale at Will Johnson's tonsorial parlor....We have six churches, with able pastors—three Methodist, two Baptist and one Congregational....Mrs. Emma Hamilton and Miss Ruba May Hamilton, of Chattanooga, Tenn., are expected to arrive this week. They will be the guests of Mrs. Annie Hall....G. W. Brooks is visiting relatives in the city.



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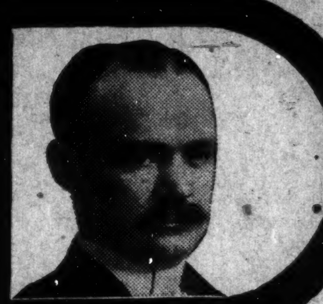

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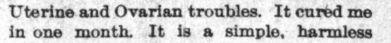

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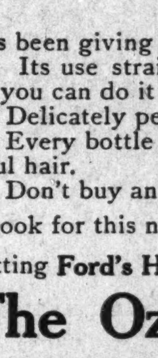

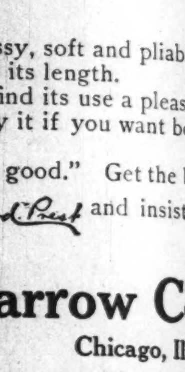

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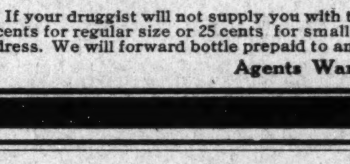

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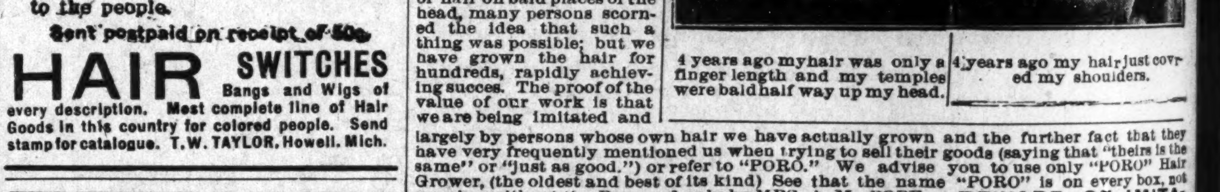

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"You question my definition of friendship, Miss Landis. I should have let your question pass, however keenly it touched me, had it not also touched him. Now I am going to say some things which lie within the straight and narrow bounds I spoke of. I never knew a man I cared for as much as I care for Mr. Siward. I know why too. He is disinterested. I do not believe he wastes very many thoughts on me. Perhaps he will. I want him to like me if it's possible. But one thing you and I may be sure of—if he does not care to return the friendship I offer him he will never accept anything else from me, though he might give at my request, and that is the sort of a man he is, and that is why he is every inch a man, and so I like him, Miss Landis. Do you wonder?"

She did not reply.

"Do you wonder?" he repeated sharply.

"No," she said.

"Then"— He straightened up, and the silent significance of his waiting attitude was plain enough to her.

But she shook her head impatiently, saying: "I don't know whose dance it is, and I don't care. Please go on. It is—is pleasant. I like Mr. Siward; I like to hear men speak of him as you do. I like you for doing it. If you should ever come to care for my friendship that is the best passport to it—your loyalty to Mr. Siward."

"No man can truthfully speak otherwise than I have spoken," he said gravely.

"No, not of these things. But you know w-what is—is usually said when his name comes up among men."

"Do you mean about his habits?" he asked simply.

"Yes. Is it not an outrage to drag in that sort of thing? It angers me intensely, Mr. Plank. Why do they do it? Is there a single one among them qualified to criticise Mr. Siward? And, besides, it is not true any more, is it, what was once said of him with—with some truth? Is it?"

The dull red blood mantled Plank's heavy visage. The silence grew grim as he did his slow, laborious thinking, the while his eyes, expressionless and almost opaque in the dim light, never left hers until under the unchanging, merciless inspection the mask dropped for an instant from her anxious face, and he saw what he saw.

He was no fool. What he had come to believe she at last had only confirmed. And now the question became simple, Was she worth enlightening? And by what title did she demand his confidence?

"You ask me if it is true any more. You mean about his habits. If I answer you, it is because I cannot be indifferent to what concerns him. But before I answer I ask you this, Would your interest in his fortunes matter to him?"

She waited, head bent, then:

"I don't know, Mr. Plank," very low.

"Did your interest in his fortunes ever concern him?"

"Yes, once."

He looked at her sternly, his jaw squaring until his heavy under lip projected. "Within my definition of friendship, is he your friend?"

"You mean he"—

"No; I mean you. I can answer for him. How is it with you? Do you return what he gives—if there is really friendship between you, or do you take what he offers, offering nothing in return?"

She had turned rather white under the direct impact of the questions. The jarring repetition of his voice itself was like the dull echo of distant blows. Yet it never occurred to her to resent it nor his attitude nor his self assumed privilege. She did not care. She no longer cared what he said to her or thought about her, nor did she care that her mask had fallen at last. It was not what he was saying, but what her own heart repeated so heavily that drove the color from her face. Not he, but she herself had become the pitiless attorney for the prosecution; not his voice, but the clamoring conscience within her demanded by what right she used the name of friendship to characterize the late relations between her and the man to whom she had denied herself.

Then a bitter impatience swept her and a dawning fear, too, for she had set her foot on the fallen mask, and the impulse rendered her reckless.

"Why don't you speak?" she said. "Yes, I have a right to know. I care for him as much as you do. Why don't you answer me? I tell you I care for him!"

"Do you?" he said in a dull voice. "Then help me out, if you can, for I don't know what to do, and if I did I haven't the authority of friendship as my warrant. He is in New York. He did go to the country, and at his home the servants suppose he is still away, but he isn't. He is here alone and sick—sick of his old sickness. I saw him, and"—Plank rested his head on his hand, dropping his eyes—"and he didn't know me. I—I do not think he will remember that he met me or that I spoke. And I could do nothing, absolutely nothing. And I don't know where he is. He will go home after awhile. I call every day to see—see what can be done, but if he were there I would not know what to do. When he does go home I won't know what to say, what to try to do. And that is an answer to your question, Miss Landis. I give it because you say you care for him as I do. Will you advise me what to do, you, who are more entitled than I am to know the truth, because he has given you the friendship which he has as yet not accorded to me?"

But Sylvia, dry eyed, dry lipped, could find no voice to answer, and after a little while they rose and moved through the fragrant gloom toward the sparkling lights beyond.

Her voice came back as they entered the brilliant rooms. "I should like to find Grace Ferrall," she said very distinctly. "Please keep the others off, Mr. Plank."

Fleetwood had missed his dance with her, but she scarcely heard his eager complaints. Quarrier, coldly inquiring, confronted them, was passed almost without recognition and left behind motionless, looking after them out of his narrowing, black fringed eyes of a woman.

Then Ferrall came, and, hearing his voice, she raised her colorless face.

"Will you take me home with you, Kemp, when you take Grace?" she asked.

"Of course. I don't know where Grace is. Are you in a hurry to go? It's only 4 o'clock."

They were at the entrance to the supper room. Plank drew up a chair for her, and she sank down, dropping her elbows on the small table and resting her face between her fingers.

"Pegged out, Sylvia?" exclaimed Ferrall incredulously. "You? What's the younger set coming to?" and he motioned a servant to fill her glass. But she pushed it aside, with a shiver, and gave Plank a strange look, which he scarcely understood at the moment.

"More caprices. All sorts of 'em on the programme," muttered Ferrall, looking down at her from where he stood beside Plank. "O tempora! O Sylvia! Plank, would you mind hunting up my wife? I'll stay and see that this infant doesn't fall asleep."

But Sylvia shook her head, saying: "Please go, Kemp. I'm a little tired, that's all. When Grace is ready I'll leave with her." And at her gesture Plank seated himself, while Ferrall, shrugging his square shoulders, sauntered off in quest of his wife, stopping a moment at a neighboring table to speak to Agatha Caithness, who sat there with Captain Voucher, the collar of superb diamonds and aquamarines on her slender throat a pale blaze of splendor.

Plank was hungry, and he said so in his direct fashion. Sylvia nodded and exchanged a smile with Agatha, who turned at the sound of Plank's voice. For awhile, as he ate and drank largely, she made the effort to keep up a desultory conversation, particularly when anybody to whom she owed an explanation hove darkly in sight on the horizon. But Plank's appetite was in proportion to the generous lines on which nature had fashioned him, and she paid less and less attention to convention and a trifle more to the beauty of Agatha's jewels, until the silence at the small table in the corner remained unbroken except by the faint tinkle of silver and crystal and the bubbling hiss of a glass refilled.

Major Belwether, his white, fluffy, chop whiskers brushed rabbit fashion, peeped in at the door, started to tiptoe out again, caught sight of them and came trotting back, beaming rosy effusion. He leaned roguishly over the table, his moist eyes a-twinkle with suppressed mirth, then, bestowing a sprightly glance on Plank, which said very plainly, "I'm up to one of my irrepressible jokes again!" he held up a smooth, white and overmanicured forefinger.

"I was in Tiffany's yesterday," he said, "and I saw a young man in there who didn't see me, and I peeped over his shoulder, and what do you think he was doing?"

She lifted her eyes a little wearily.

"I don't know," she said.

"I do," he chuckled. "He was choosing a collar of blue diamonds and aquamarines—te-he—probably to wear himself—te-he! Or perhaps he was going to be married—he-he-he—next winter—ahem—next November—ha-ha! I don't know, I'm sure, what he meant to do with that collar. I only"—

Something in Sylvia's eyes stopped him, and, following their direction, he turned around to find Quarrier standing at his elbow, icy and expressionless.

"Oh," said the aged jester, a little disconcerted, "I'm caught talking out in church, I see! It was only a harmless little fun, Howard."

"Do you mean you saw me?" asked Quarrier, pale as a sheet. "You are in error, I have not been in Tiffany's in months."

Belwether, crestfallen under the white menace of Quarrier's face, nodded and essayed a chuckle without success.

Sylvia, at first listless and uninterested, looked inquiringly from the major to Quarrier, surprised at the suppressed feeling exhibited over so trivial a gaucherie. If Quarrier had chosen a collar like Agatha's for her, what of it? But as he had not, on his own statement, what did it matter? Why should he look that way at the foolish major, to whose garrulous gossip he was accustomed and whose inability to refrain from prying was notorious enough.

Turning disdainfully, she caught a glimpse of Plank's shocked and altered face. It relapsed instantly into the usual inert expression, and a queer, uncomfortable perplexity began to invade her. What had happened to stir up these three men? Of what importance was an indiscretion of an old gentleman whose fatuous vanity and consequent blunders everybody was familiar with? And, after all, Howard had not bought anything at Tiffany's. He said so himself. But it was evident that Agatha had chanced on the collar that Belwether thought he saw somebody else examining.

She turned and looked at the dead white neck of the girl. The collar was wonderful—a miracle of pale fire. And Sylvia, musing, let her thoughts run on, dreamy eyes brooding. She was glad that Agatha's means permitted her now to have such things. It had been understood for some years that the Caithness fortune was in rather an alarming condition. Howard had been able recently to do a favor or two for old Peter Caithness. She had heard the major bragging about it. Evidently Mr. Caithness must have improved the chance if he was able to present such gems to his daughter. And now somebody would marry her. Perhaps Captain Voucher, perhaps even Alderdene, perhaps, as rumor had it now and then, Plank might venture into the arena. Poor Plank! More of a man than people understood. She understood. She—

Eileen Shannon.

And her thoughts swung back like the returning tide to Siward, and her heart began heavily again, and the slightly faint sensation returned. She passed her ungloved, unsteady fingers across her eyelids and forehead, looking up and around. The major and Howard had disappeared. Plank, beside her, sat staring stupidly into his empty wineglass.

"Isn't Mrs. Ferrall coming?" she said wearily.

Plank gathered his cumbersome bulk and stood up, trying to see through the entrance into the ballroom. After a moment he said: "They're in there, talking to Marion. It's a good chance to make our adieus."

As they passed out of the supper room Sylvia paused behind Agatha's chair and bent over her. "The collar is beautiful," she said, "and so are you, Agatha." And, with a little impulsive caress for the jewels, she passed on, unconscious of the delicate flush that spread from Agatha's shoulders to her hair. And Agatha, turning, encountered only the stupid gaze of Plank, moving ponderously past on Sylvia's heels.

"If you'll find Leila, I'm ready at any time," she said carelessly and resumed her tete-a-tete with Voucher, who had plainly been annoyed at the interruption.

Ferrall and his wife and Sylvia were making their adieus to Marion and her mother when Plank came up, and he, too, took that opportunity.

Later Sylvia, passing through the great hall, shrouded in silk and ermine, turned to offer him her hand, saying in a low voice: "I am at home to you, do you understand? Always," she added nervously. He looked after her, with an unconscious sigh, unaware that anything in himself had claimed her respect.

CHAPTER TEN

ABOUT 4 o'clock on the following afternoon Mrs. Mortimer's maid, who had almost finished drying and dressing her mistress' hair, was called to the door by a persistent knocking, which at first she had been bidden to disregard.

It was Mortimer's man, desiring to know whether Mrs. Mortimer could receive Mr. Mortimer at once on matters of importance.

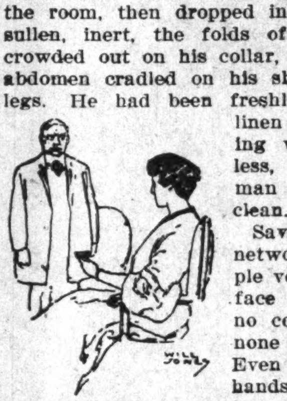
"No," said Leila petulantly. "Tell Mullins to say that I cannot see anybody." And, catching a glimpse of the shadowy Mullins dodging about the dusky corridor: "What is the matter? Is Mr. Mortimer ill?"

But Mullins could not say what the matter might be, and he went away, only to return in a few moments bearing a scratchy note from his master, badly blotted and still wet, and Leila, with a shrug of resignation, took the blotched scrawl daintily between thumb and forefinger and unfolded it. Behind her the maid, twisting up the masses of dark, fragrant hair, read the note very easily over her mistress' shoulder. It ran, without preliminaries:

> I'm going to talk to you whether you like it or not. Do you understand that? If you want to know what's the matter with me you'll find out fast enough. Fire that French girl out before I arrive.

She closed the note thoughtfully, folding and double folding it into a thick wad. The ink had come off, discoloring her finger tips. She dropped the soiled paper on the floor and held out her hands, plump fingers spread. And when the maid had finished removing the stains and had repolished the pretty hands her mistress sipped her chocolate thoughtfully, nibbled a bit of dry toast, then motioned the maid to take the tray and her departure, leaving her the cup.

A few minutes later Mortimer came in, stood a moment blinking around the room, then dropped into a seat, sullen, inert, the folds of his chin crowded out on his collar, his heavy abdomen cradled on his short, thick legs. He had been freshly shaved; linen and clothing were spotless, yet the man looked unclean.



"Are you ill?" asked his wife coolly.

Save for the network of purple veins in his face there was no color there; none in his lips. Even his flabby hands were the hue of clay.

"Are you ill?" asked his wife coolly.

"No, not very. I've got the jumps. What's that? Tea? Ugh! It's chocolate. Push it out of sight, will you? I can smell it."

Leila set the delicate cup on a table behind her.

"What time did you return this morning?" she asked, stifling a yawn.

"I don't know—about 5 or 6. How the devil should I know what time I came in?"

Sitting there before the mirror of her dresser she stole a second glance at his marred features in the glass. The loose mouth, the smeared eyes, the palsy-like tremors that twitched the hands where they tightened on the arms of his chair, became repulsive to the verge of fascination. She tried to look away, but could not.

"You had better see Dr. Grisby," she managed to say.

"I'd better see you; that's what I'd better do," he retorted thickly. "You'll do all the doctoring I want. And I want it, all right."

"Very well. What is it?"

He passed his swollen hand across his forehead.

"What is it?" he repeated. "It's the limit this time, if you want to know. I'm all in."

"Roulette?" raising her eyebrows, without interest.

"Yes, roulette too. Everything! They got me upstairs at Burbank's. The game's crooked. Every box, every case, every wheel, every pack is crooked, crooked, crooked, by God!" he burst forth in a fever, struggling to sit upright, his hands always tightening on the arms of the chair. "It's nothing but a creeping joint, run by a bunch of handshakers! I—I'll"—

Stuttering, choking, stammering imprecations, his hoarse clamor died away after awhile. She sat there, head bent, silent, impassive, acquiescent under the physical and mental strain to which she had never become thoroughly hardened. How many such scenes had she witnessed! She could not count them. They differed very little in detail and not at all in their ultimate object, which was to get what money she had. This was his method of reimbursing himself for his losses.

He made an end to his outburst after awhile. Only his dreadful fat breathing now filled the silence and, supposing he had finished, she found her voice with an effort:

"I am sorry. It comes at a bad time, as you know"—

"A bad time!" he broke out violently. "How can it come at any other sort of time? With us all times are bad. If this is worse than the average it can't be helped. We are in it for keeps this time!"

"We?"

"Yes, we!" he repeated, but his face had grown ghastly and his uncertain eyes were fastened on hers in the mirror.

"What do you mean—exactly?" she asked, turning from the dresser to confront him.

He made no effort to answer. An expression of dull fright was growing on his visage, as though for the first time he had begun to realize what had happened.

She saw it and her heart quickened, but she spoke disdainfully: "Well, I am ready to listen—as usual. How much do you want?"

He made no sign. His lower lip hung loose. His eyes blinked at her.

"What is it?" she repeated. "What have you been doing? How much have you lost? You can't have lost very much. We hadn't much to lose. If you have given your note to any of those gamblers it is a shame—a shame! Leroy, look at me! You promised me, on your honor, never to do that again. Have you lied, after all the times I have helped you out, stripped myself, denied myself, put off tradesmen, faced down creditors? After all I have done, do you dare come here and ask for more—ask for what I have not got—with not one bill settled, not one servant paid since December"—

"Leila, I—I've got—to tell you"—

"What?" she demanded, appalled by the change in his face. If he was overdoing it, he was overdoing it realistically enough.

"I—I've used Plank's check!" he mumbled and moistened his lips with his tongue.

She stared back at him, striving to comprehend. "Plank's!" she repeated slowly. "Plank's check? What check? What do you mean?"

"The one he gave you last night to pay his bridge losses and forgot to fill in."

"The one he— But you couldn't! How could you. It was not filled in."

"I filled it."

Her dawning horror was reacting on him, as it always did, like a fierce tonic, and his own courage came back in a sort of sullen desperation.

"You—you are trying to frighten me, Leroy," she stammered. "You are trying to make me do something—give you what you want—force me to give you what you want! You can't frighten me. The check was made out to me—to my order. How could you have used it, if I had not indorsed it?"

"I indorsed it. Do you understand that?" he said savagely.

"No, I don't. Because if you did it's forgery."

"I don't give a —— what you think it is!" he broke in fiercely. "All I'm worried over is what Plank will think. I didn't mean to do it. I didn't dream of doing it. When I saw that check in my hands I thought I'd use it temporarily—merely as moral collateral to flash at Burbank—something to back my I O U's. So I filled it in."

"For how much?" she asked, not daring to believe him, but he ignored the question and went on, "I filled it and indorsed it and"—

"How could you indorse it?" she interrupted coolly, now unconvinced again and suspicious.

"I'll tell you if you'll stop that fool tongue a moment. The check was made to 'L. Mortimer,' wasn't it? So I wrote 'L. Mortimer' on the back. Now do you know? If you are L. Mortimer, so am I. Lelia begins with L; so does Leroy, doesn't it? I didn't imitate your two-words-to-a-page autograph. I put my own fist to a check made out to one L. Mortimer, and I don't care what you think about it as long as Plank can stand it. Now put up your nose and howl, if you like."

(Continued next week.)

Race Gleanings

The capital stock of the Colored Co-Operative of Yonkers, N. Y., has been increased from $50,000 to $1,000,000.

Plans are being made for a new building for Roger Williams University at Nashville, Tenn. It is a Baptist institution.

The New York African Society for Mutual Relief celebrated the centennial of their organization last Sunday. Rev. Herbert Chen, bishop, preached the sermon. Wednesday evening a banque was served.

While attending the State Association of Congregational Churches at Waterloo, Ia., recently, Rev. A. L. Demond, pastor of the church at Buxton, and editor of the Zazette of that city, was refused accommodation at every white hotel in the city of Waterloo.

A committee from the Woman's Loyal Union and Young Ladies Auxiliary of New York paid a visit last month to the Brooklyn Home for Aged Colored People. A program was given and cake and ice cream were served. A dainty souvenir of candy was given each one.

The number of Negroes employed in the government service of Louisiana are as follows: 57 in custom service, 22 in custodian service, 12 in United States Mint, 85 in postoffice, 5 in United States Land office, 2 United States Sub-treasury, 3 Internal Revenue Office, 49 Railway Mail Service, 8 Department of Justice, 1 U. S. Immigration Bureau, making a total of 244.

Five members of the Liberia Commission are now in America to urge the American Negro to emigate to the African West Coast. The party consists of Thomas Faulkner, Dr. Garret W. Gibson, former President of Liberia; Charles Dunbar, James Doessen, vice president of the republic, and Charles Branch, secretary of the commission. Dr. Gibson is the only American of the party, he having been born in the South and emigrated to Liberia some years ago. They say that Liberia holds out a wonderful opportunity to the Negroes of America if a direct line of vessels can be organized to bring Liberian products direct to this country.

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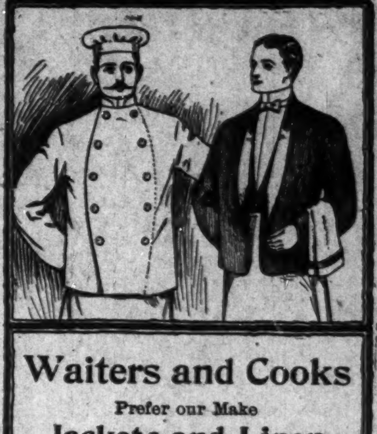

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The weather is all that can be expected.

You see, Mr. Hitchcock is a practical "politicianer"—he takes no chances.

If there's doubt, just nominate Indiana's chieftain and the people will do the rest next November.

The Indiana Negro Business League ought to be showing signs of life. The National League meets at Baltimore, August 19 to 21.

Absent but not forgotten will apply to the long list of the defeated and who are remembered in the making of the instrument.

On to Chicago! The world has its eyes trained on that great body of men that has made its way to that city from all parts for the important business of President-making.

Uncle Joe Cannon, of Illinois, is being boomed big by his State. The city of Danville sent a marching force of one thousand men to the convention scene. They will make the welkins ring for the "grand old man."

What's Mr. Hitchcock there for but to get the votes? The enormous salary said to be paid him for his services had to be earned. And by what method could a man earn his salary during convention days except by getting the votes?

The industrial association movement is considered a good thing by many. The Tuskegee idea will prevail in event the movement meets with success. Indianapolis and vicinity stands very much in need of something of the kind.

In event the Taft proposition becomes too hot, the party may yet turn to others of the very distinguished line of candidate now before the convention. Among those is Charles W. Fairbanks, Indiana's foremost citizen and Vice-President of the country.

The platform will declare for the protection of the civil liberties of the Negro race. Well, the party registers its will in the matter. It will be thought by some that it is the old thing of promise. But this consolation: other parties do not go even so far as that.

Invitations are out calling attention to the twelfth annual meeting of the Hampton Negro Conference, which will be held in Hampton, Va., June 16 and 17.

This is a meeting of men and women engaged in efforts for the betterment of the colored people. The triennial reunion of Hampton alumni is held June 18, and it is hoped that the alumni will arrive in time to attend the conference.

Some one with unusual foresight has settled the presidential contest and is now dealing in vice-presidential futures. The following very interesting list of possibilities are given: "Charles W. Fairbanks, of Indiana; Jonathan P. Dolliver, of Iowa; George B. Cortelyou, of New York; J. Franklin Fort, of New Jersey; Murray Crane, of Massachusetts; Governor Deneen, of Illinois; James S. Sherman, of New York; Senator Long, of Kansas; Governor Cummins, of Iowa; George S. Knight, of California."

People are extremely foolish just now to buy a doubtful steak for breakfast at 28 cents a pound when they can get the very finest of dried or smoked beef at 30 cents a single pound or 25 cents by the chunk. One pound of dried beef, shaved as thin as paper money, will go as far as ten pounds of fresh beefsteak; there is no cooking; there is no time wasted in getting a breakfast; there is no kitchen odor—that bane of our existence. A dozen shavings of dried beef, a few crackers and a swallow of ale—there's a perfectly balanced ration and enough to work on all day.—The New York Press.

Will it do the duty of ten times the amount of fresh beefsteak?

Mr. Philip Green, messenger to Senator Hemenway, was in the city last Tuesday on his way to Chicago to attend the Republican convention. Mr. Green paid his respects to The Freeman office. Among the things he said was: "While Mr. Taft is not my preference as a candidate, yet I hope, if he is nominated, and it now looks as if he will be, that my race of people will not make any attempt to overthrow the Republican party on account of the Brownsville happening. I feel quite sure that our Indiana Senators will cast their vote next December to restore the colored soldiers to the army. On the other hand, there is nothing to expect of the Democratic party. It has made no promises whatever, and if it has, it occurs to me that it will be a foolish idea to accept. I hope to say more in the future, since I have given the subject some study."

The street and steam railway companies operating lines into the District of Columbia have been requested to either remove or cover the so-called "Jim-crow" signs displayed in their cars, which are used for the information of the passengers in the States where white and colored passengers are not permitted to occupy the same sections or coaches.

The recent Philadelphia conference put itself on record as opposing the idea of displaying "Jim-crow" signs where there were no "Jim-crow" laws. It expressed itself as follows:

Resolved, That this conference protest against the practice of the railroads running trains into those States in which no "Jim-crow" laws exist displaying "Jim-crow" signs as not only a violation of law, but an insult to the manhood and womanhood of our race, and we insist that the executives of such States, and the Interstate Commerce Commission be called upon to enforce the laws again displaying said signs.

The fact that three Negroes are on the "Lily White" delegation from Louisiana is thought a very strange happening. "Lily Whiteism" has heretofore meant just what it said—a party made of white men in opposition to a party made up by Negroes, the latter party being known as the "Black and Tans." The lines of cleavage have heretofore been rigidly maintained, and of course with the great insistence on the part of the "Lily Whites." The organization by the "Black and Tans," also strange enough, is not altogether manned by Negroes. Good, influential white men of means are found directing political effort right from the ranks of the dusky stalwarts.

Four years ago the contestants showed up, either claiming to be the regularly organized "institution," while the other fellows were the "rumpers." As a means of pacification the Credential Committee divided the thing equally, giving each faction half representation. This time the spirit of compromise does not seem to obtain. The Taft management does not seem inclined to take any chances—it is taking everything that's in sight. But, perhaps, after all they provided for just such an emergency, seeing to it that the "Lily White" delegation had a respectable colored streak. It was a very wise move on the part of the Taftites.

That cigarette smoking leads directly to whisky drinking is now, no doubt, a fact well attested by experience and observation. This happens because whisky is an antidote to the effects of tobacco taken in excess. Also the nicotine from the tobacco, if taken into the lungs, as it is not in the smoking of pipes and cigars, deposits its essential oils in the delicate tissues of the lungs. It is not because the tobacco in the cigarette is bad. It is commonly of the finest quality and the mildest. Nor is it the effect of the paper which encloses it which makes the cigarette a deadly indulgence for boys and a dangerous temptation for men. It all depends upon the method of smoking. It is only in rare cases that one can endure the presence of cigar smoke in the lungs. It is too pungent to be agreeable. But the milder flavor of the cigarette makes it tolerable and seductive.—The Christian Register.

It has been conceded that the cigarette has some sins to answer for. It had not been thought generally, however, that it "seduced" to the liquor habit. In fact, cigarettes and tobacco generally are coming in for a new hearing. "The Lancet," one of the leading medical journals of the age, had an article not long since by an individual who declared that no injury resulted from the use of tobacco. Really, we ought have handed down an opinion that will hold good. Certainly the weed has its proper uses somewhere, yet the next outburst of "expert" testimony is likely to put the whole business in a new light.

A little race riot reported from Texas during the hurly-burly days of the campaign. That we have so few outbursts of the kind with our millions of white people, and millions of colored people whose points of contact are general, is a matter for congratulation. Years ago it was thought that we wouldn't get along because of the different notions of life, and which views are not so radically different after all. Education and contact bring out most any kind of people. We just had to get along the best we could. Time has demonstrated that we could have gotten along even very much better. For instance, mob justice has not been necessary at any time. The law as it is writ and carried out inspires as much terror in evildoers as mob rule. This fictitious factor in the civil equation has drawn attention to the race question, and of course with harmful effect for the Negroes, passionate and riotous, and who needed curbing in a way the laws do not contemplate.

Time has demonstrated that outbursts are frequent enough between white people, and for similar and also yet vastly different reasons, proving that the Negroes are tractable enough. In fact, they make first-class citizens so far as civil disturbances are concerned. They do not find it in their hearts to talk rebellion and mob—this in face of brutal spirit displayed by them at times. Bearing some little racial peculiarities, also the misconception of the finesse of the gentle art of sociality by some, the race is ideal as citizens. The rough edges are being worn off, knocked off, by the schools, by contact, by experience and not a little by the pressure of the "enemy." The latter day disposition is to mave in circles set up and maintained by the race. The refining fire has been lighted and bids fair to consume all dross.

To bolt or not to bolt is the question. Whether 'tis better to go right along abiding by whatever the convention "renders," or to set up for one's self, hoping to wring satisfaction of the troubled front, is also the question. Long since we have insisted that a purely race question has no proper place in party politics; it is not a "boltable" proposition. A Negro party brought about for the purpose of compelling respect and consideration does not sound very bad, and especially to the man afar off, and who has no intimate knowledge of affairs. Such a party could really be of some little value if the cohesive qualities were there. But those having intimate knowledge of the racial situation do not have great faith in the Negroes' sticking qualities. They are not very wrong when they conclude that very little is to be feared of such a movement. This lack of faith by Negroes in a movement by Negroes and the united opposition of white men would be millstones about "its neck."

Under the present day circumstances the talk of such a party is the height of folly. The only hope is to cling to that party, made up of its tens of thousands from all walks of life, having the greatest sympathy for the "meanest" citizens, having the courage of its convictions, working at all times for the expansion of its principles, furthering them by all peaceable means, and which, by the way, would be those based on the laws and of a right to be in operation. The party today that comes nearest filling conditions is the one regardless of name. If it be Republican, or if it be Democrat, it will matter but very little if it has the prescribed aims in view and working ceaselessly for the establishing of its political tenets.

SENATOR FORAKER'S LETTER.

Senator Foraker's letter to Mr. John Milholland, of New York, on the famous Brownsville business, is strong, persuasive, and calculated to be of importance in influencing the selection of the candidate for President. It is as follows:

"I have your letter of May 18 and do not know how better to answer your inquiry in regard to the postponement of the Brownsville bill than by quoting from a letter written by me a day or two ago to Mr. Richard D. White, of Cambridge, Mass., in answer to a similar inquiry:

"On this point I said to Mr. White:

" 'With the President active in his opposition, personally importuning Senators, I was unable to get a vote, even if I succeeded in getting the bill before the Senate, and unable to pass the bill if I did get a vote. At most, I could get assurances of only thirty-five votes, and some of these were wavering. It was necessary to have forty-seven. A vote at this time, therefore, meant defeat and the end of all hope of restoring the soldiers.

" 'Postponement was better, because, in the first place, it could not be worse, and, in the second place, it keeps the subject alive and in a practical form for consideration during the present campaign. The whole country knows that the Brownsville subject has been narrowed down to a question of my bill, which means complete restoration; or the Warner bill, which means whatever the whim of the President may see fit to allow, and that, I am satisfied, would be very little, if anything.

Veto Threatened.

" 'As late as April 21 he wrote to Senator William Allen Smith, of Michigan, that he thought many, if not all, of the soldiers guilty, and that there was no more excuse for sympathy with them than there would be for sympathy with Czolgosz or Guiteau, and that my blli meant only to force a lot of murderers and perjurers back into the army, and that he would feel it his duty, if we passed the bill, to veto it, and if we passed it over his veto he would refuse to enforce it.

" 'I have no doubt of passing the bill in December, because enough Republicans have promised me that if I would allow the bill to go over until then they would at that time vote with me to pass it, but in view of the President's frame of mind and his expressed purpose to veto the bill, we must, if possible, have a two-thirds vote, and this brings up a feature of this newly-made situation that, I hope, will enable us to get this additional strength.

Chance to Pledge Candidates.

" 'If the bill had been voted upon and defeated at this session the colored voters of the country would not have had any means of showing their displeasure, except by voting against the party in a spirit of revenge. Now, with the bill postponed, they have at least a living issue, and they have a right to demand of Republican candidates for office, including our candidates for President and Vice-President and all other candidates for re-election to the Senate and the House of Representatives, that they will pledge themselves to support the Foraker bill. In this way the 10,000,000 colored people of the United States can greatly help not only the soldiers, but the whole race, by causing themselves to be felt and appreciated as they never have been before. When they come to realize their opportunity I think they will all be proud to take a direct and effective part in what should be to them a labor of love.

" 'I am a firm believer in the intervention of Divine Providence in the affairs of man. While postponement was to me a bitter and reluctant conclusion, yet I feel that after all it was of God's ordering and that in due time we shall all see and appreciate that what now appears to be so disappointing and discouraging is for the best.'

"Hoping this quotation from my letter to Mr. White will answer your inquiry, and that the answer may be satisfactory, I remain,

"Very truly yours, etc.,
"J. B. FORAKER."

THE GREAT CONVENTION IS ON.

The great National Republican Convention may be said to be under way, although the convention will not be formally opened for a few days. In fact, the city by the lake has been making a noise like a convention for the past two weeks. Great interest centers in that assembly; in the history of conventions nothing has ever commanded such general attention. The entire nation seems to be breathing softly in anticipation of the work to be done there within the next few days. The request for tickets of admission is further indication of the great interest, and the unusual curiosity of the people to have a look in on the "sea" of men who will make up the distinguished gathering. The report is that requests for admission tickets have been made by more than two hundred thousand individuals, when the seating capacity of the auditorium is not more than twelve thousand. The committee very evidently has had its problems, and this one of granting the request for tickets has been its very greatest. Notwithstanding the "terrible" disappointment there will be hundreds of thousands on the scene who at the best will only succeed in rubbing up against some of the delegates and perchance get a glimpse of a distinguished man as he passes by.

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The present convention is unique in that it has had more contesting delegations to deal with than known to the history of such bodies. More than two hundred of these cases came before the Credentials Committee, giving that body more than the perfunctory work usually done by such committees. In past years the spirit of compromise came about concerning such cases, which in the majority of instances are from the South and to some extent influenced by the race question. Two hundred contests, involving at least as many votes, and perhaps many more, made the most important "side show" known to the convention business. It is thought that the same spirit of compromise has not existed so far this year, and that the Taft management is getting the better of the situation. The Credentials Committee is said to be Taftish, and for which reason the delegates being seated are Taft people. The field is allied against the Secretary of War, who has in most cases had his own sweet way. The opposition apparently has been hoping that his activity would be his undoing, but it has perhaps waited a little long. If the Secretary gets through, it will be due to his hustle, and which, by the way, has been more noticeable than that by candidates of former years. But it appears that the other candidates might be indicted on a count of indifference. The theory, presumably, has been that of dignity attaching the great office, insisting that the waiting policy is the proper one. But waiting and working seem the combination, if the Taft success so far is indicative. At any rate, the field is combined against him, and which, by the way, says nothing against theory of going after it. The object is to "bear" the Taft stock, and which is the usual in politics, heading off a lead when too great to be comfortable.

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It will be judged that the majority of the defeated "delegates" are Negroes, since it is the South that sends up the greater number of contesting delegations. And here, as little as one may think of it, is some influence of the soldier question which has been standing up in things political for, lo! these many days. The question entered the conventions were it should not have gone; it threw the race question to the fore and in such a manner as to invite opposition to the hopes of Negro delegates. The South is the very poorest field for pitching a Negro question. The soldier question was the basis of opposition to Mr. Taft, notwithstanding decision has not been reached in the matter; it brought out Senator Foraker, who cannot be forgotten for his noble defense of the race, but it is very doubtful if the fact has helped the race. In an abstract way one may believe that the thing of liberty has been helped, but when it comes to immediate relief for the colored brother it has not been so promising.

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Already it is said that a third party movement is on foot and of course "founded" on the supposition that the Negro delegates are getting a raw deal. Perhaps it is one of the many "scarecrows" set up in preconvention days to influence in one way or the other. The third party idea is all right when a third party has a motive for existence. Motive? It will be said there is motive sufficient—and there is. But it is not owing to the treatment received at the hands of political parties as such, but because the Negroes are discriminated against irrespective of politics. This broader consideration is one to bear in mind. The Negro as a race has more real causes to be adjusted than any race in the country, yet they do not find a special people of which to exact justice. The question is everywhere—in everything.

PADUCAH, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The most brilliant entertainment given in the city this season was the Children's Carnival and May Festival, given under the personal direction of Mrs. A. W. Watkins and Dr. A. L. Logan, for the benefit of Washington street Baptist Church on May 25 and 26. There were thirty-five children in the cast, representing by costume the various holidays of the year, each being described with solos or duetts by some of the best local talent. An especially beautiful spectacle was the appearance of ten beautiful children whose ages range from two and a half to four years of age. Miss Letitia L. Reeves, a recent graduate of State University at Louisville, Ky., and one of our most popular girls, who was crowned the Queen of May, was greeted by a burst of spontaneous applause when she ascended the thrown and was crowned by Miss Cora Alberta Bradshaw, the thrown being arranged under an arch of ferns with thirty-six incandescent lights. Another feature that called for much applause was the grace and beauty of ten little girls in brilliant costumes who plaited the May pole in honor of the coronation of the Queen. They were Ida Mae Smith, Hallie Daniels, Bessie Winfrey, Bessie Pierson, Mary Eunice Isbell, Emma Crafton, Mary Francis, Flournoy, Louvenia Overley, Deloris Grogan and Pauline Newsom. Solos were sung by Mrs. Anna McKnight, Miss Lula B. Davis, Mrs. Mamie Keyes Jones, Misses Bessie and Fannie Williams. Dr. A. L. Logan presided at the piano and was ably assisted by Miss Gerdena Dawson. Others deserving special mention were Misses Willie Mitcherson, Harbernia Lunderman, Clara Logan, Hattie Berry and Ida Mae Baker, who assisted in the choruses. The whole affair was a success and a neat sum was netted which will go to the fund for completing the church. At the earnest solicitation of many who were present and a goodly number of persons who were unable to attend the management has decided to repeat this entertainment on the 15th and 16th....The rally of the Washington street church is still in progress. The battle cry is $1,000. We have no hesitancy about raising the amount. This great congregation has been systematized and is now in line moving on to success. The different committees are rallying each Monday night to the support of their church....Allio Johns gave a nice banquet last week. It was the swellest affair that every was given in the city....Mr. Jim Owens and Mrs. G. W. Owens are on the sick list this week....Thomas Lyons, of Cairo, Ill., was the guest of Mr. Israel E. Morton last week for the commencement....Eleven teachers left last Sunday. ....Prof Betom is visiting his friends this week....Miss Overton has returned home from Tuscaloosa, Ala., where she attended school....Miss Sallie Owens is on the sick list this week....Several of the teachers are attending the Teachers' Institute at Carbondale, Ill....Get The Freeman, 707 Tem street, old phone 944A.

TUSCALOOSA, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Vacation time has arrived and Tuscaloosa is alive with returning school girls. Among those who have returned recently are: Misses Pearl Ferguson, Bessie Clayborne, Eula Hargrove, Minnie Douglass, Emmaline Alex and Rosa Walker, from the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Normal Ala.; Misses May Ella Williams, Tommnie Knox and Josie Hamilton, from Barber Memorial Seminary at Anniston, Aala.; the Misses Ward and Octavia Daily from Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute; Miss Carrie Combs, from Selma University, Selma, Ala., and Miss Elina Yancey, from the Mary Holmes Seminary at West Point, Miss....Miss Sarah Balls, en route from Selma University to her home in Pickens, was the guest of Miss Carrie Combs for a few days.... Miss Sallie Greer, of Birmingham, spent a few days in the city recently with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Woods....Rev. Clanton, professor of Theology at Selma University, ably filled the pulpit of the First African Baptist Church on the 31st ult. Dr. Clanton was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bryant while in the city....Ed Johnson and Miss Ada Gray were quietly married recently....A representative and appreciative audience gathered at the A. M. E. Zion Church Sunday afternoon, May 31, to listen to a program of the Three Times Ten Club in the interest of the State Reformatory. The program was highly pleasing and a nice colection was taken. The following is the program: Opening song, A. M. E. Zion choir; Scripture reading, Rev. N. R. Rhodes; prayer, Rev. Jackson; song, choir; "Reformatory Work of Alabama Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, Mrs. Emma Baugh; solo, Mrs. Linka Edmonds; "Local Club Work," Mrs. Nora Edmonds; duet, Mesdames Maggie Jones and P. C. Yancey; address, Rev. Jackson; song, choir; colection, benediction.

ELMIRA, N. Y.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Casino Clube gave a dance party on Thursday evening at Temperance Hall. ....Jermia George has returned home.... Joseph Thompson spent Monday in Binghampton....James Armstrong, who has been ill, is able to be out again....Mrs. Chas. Payne has returned from the Ogden hospital....Mrs. Ira Green is seriously ill at her home on Sullivan street....Miss Hattie Payne has returned from a trip to New York City....Mrs. Florence Starke is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Powell, at the Royal lunch rooms.... Mr. Louis Brown spent Sunday at Watkins, N. Y....Miss Myrtle Mae Thompson entertained on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Thompson and Miss Amelia Hill.... Mr. James Drake, Sr., has organized a choral club, which wil be known as the Elmira Choral Society....The Casino Club will run an excursion to North Hector on July 16....Mrs. Jessie Brown is quite ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hawkins....Mrs. H. J. Starke and daughter, Miss Lillie Bell, Mrs. J. F. Thompson, Miss E. Mae Brown and Miss Myrtle Mae Thompson spent Thursday at Eldriche Park....Miss Mammie Butler has gone to Glenora, N. Y., for the summer....Mrs. Isabella Valentine spent Wednesday afternoon with M. Mae Thompson....Miss Minnie Jones has returned from Addison, N. Y.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The commencement exercises were well rendered and well attended last week.... This is the last week of school....We have had rain every Sunday since Easter and two or three times during each week and the water is raising down in the bottoms....M. D. Fry is in charge of the hotel dining room at Fairmont Park and is giving satisfaction. He had six or eight extra men on last Saturday and Sunday. ....H. Vayo is now on the road between here and St. Joe, Mo....Mr. Smiley, who is to have charge of the Cliff House dining room in Manitou, Colo., this summer, left here the first of the week for his field of labor. Mr. Davis, of Memphis, Tenn., is to be his second....Rev. Carey, of Chicago, Ill., lectured at Allen Temple Monday night, subject, "From Bunker Hill to Brownville," and gave a very instructive talk....The Topeka Giants crossed bats again last Sunday with the Monarchs. The score was 3 to 0 in favor of the Topeka team. It was a good game and a large crowd was out....The Second Christian Church of Kansas City, Kan., was destroyed by fire early Sunday morning. The church had been saturated with coal oil. Loss $500....Read the best colored paper, The Freeman, sold by the agent, 719 Charlotte street.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

After a two weeks' boycott of our city by the Farmers' Association, the citizens and farmers held a mass meeting and broke the deadlock of disagreement by agreeing upon a square deal for all mankind, and business is picking up again.... The annual commencement of this city's colored school, on May 29, 1908, at Elder's Opera House, will be long remembered as one o fthe most excellent ever held. Our principal, Prof. F. G. Carney, has provne his worth to our people. The 1908 class of graduates rendered their program at 10 a. m., which was as follows: Music by Dabny Bros.' Orchestra; invocation, by Rev. S. E. Seemore, of Mt. Olivet Church; "Duty of the Hour," Miss Maud Minor; "Energy and Perseverance," Miss Artelia Thomas; "Time," Miss Lavanna Cross; "Rome, the Citadel of the World," Miss Blondella Dunlop; "Education of the Negro," Miss Lula Keesee; solo, "Bless Our Dream," Miss Lula A. Dixon. Rev. T. J. Goodal made the annual address. Prof. F. G. Carney awarded the diplomas. There were twenty graduates, three boys and seventeen girls. The program at night was a drill, "The Vestal Virgins," an operetta, and closing with a violin solo by Master Oscar Dabney. The Twentieth Century Club gave a swell entertainment for the graduates and undergraduates....Dr. L. T. Williams has made the Fifth Ward choir one of the best in the city. Dr. Williams is the director....All of our protracted meetings have closed except St. Peter's A. M. E. Church, which will close in a few days. They were all a success.

MT. VERNON, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rally at the A. M. E. Church Sunday was quite a success. The Ladies' Club raised $35.08 and Gentlemen's Club $6. Rev. Smith, of Princeton, preached two able sermons Sunday, assisting Rev. White in his rally....Henry Yanly and Mrs. Suggs spent Sunday with Mr. H. Thompson and family....Miss Sippy Hancock, of St. Louis, is in the city, visiting relatives and friends....Mt. Vernon now has free delivery....The A. M. E. S. S. elected officers Sunday as follows: Mrs. Cora Bishop, superintendent; Amos Holt asistant superintendent; Grace Wesley, treasurer, and Manurva Kennedy, secretary. Amos Holt was elected delegate to the S. S. convention and Elmo Jones alternate. ....James Walls has returned home from a few days visit at Terre Haute....The Free Baptist Church gave a barbecue at their church Saturday....The Gertrude B. Hill Missionary Society wil give a lawn fete at the A. M. E. Church parsonage next week for the benefit of the mission at Alexandria, Ind.

ERIE, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Effie Lawrence, who was visiting relatives and friends in Cleveland and Toledo, has returned to her home....Mrs. Jno. Williams spent last week in Cleveland, Ohio, the guest of her daughter, Clara....Mrs. Carrie Lawson was a guest at the wedding of Miss Esther Kincaid and Mr. J. Cody at New Castle, Pa., last week....The Sabbath school teachers' board of the St. James A. M. E. Church met at the residence of Mr. Chas. Franklin, the superintendent. After the routine of business a dainty repast was served to the board....Mrs. Florence Aoler is still quite sick....The shirt-waist party given by the ladies of Deborah Court was a decided success, financially and socially. The grand march was led by Mrs. Sara Harris and Mrs. Margaret Kittrell....Mrs. Carrie Robertson, president of the Robert Bryan Circle No. 47, Ladies of the G. A. R., of Philadelphia, Pa., and Mrs. Sara C. Powell, of the same city, who is the secretary and a delegate to the G. A. R. convention which is being held in Erie, Pa. They are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence C. Kittrell....The Saints of Jerusalem were in the city last week soliciting funds with which to support the orphans' home in Bellfield, Va. During their stay were at Mrs. Anna Collins, of East Fifth street....Mrs. L. Williamson, of East Second street, is very sick....Mrs. Rebecca Waters Glenn, delegate from the Martin R. Delaney Circle of Pittsburg, Pa., and Mrs. Ruth Jones, the president of the same circle, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Russell, of West Fifth street. ....Mrs. Kate Hopkins, of the Jno. Hopkins Circle of Chester, Pa., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Franklin....Rev. White delivered a lecture at St. James A. M. E. Church last Sabbath evening to a large and appreciative audience. Subject, "Whose Boy Is He?"....Mrs. Jno. Williams, who was visiting her daughter in Cleveland, Ohio, last week returned home. ....Miss Edna L. Blackburn is the only colored graduate of the Erie high school of '08....Mrs. Carrie Robinson, president of the Robert Bryan Circle G. A. R., and Mrs. Sara C. Powell, delegate from the same circle, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Kittrell.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A man by the name of Jones attempted to make a balloon ascension at one of the parks here Sunday and was killed....The rain is retarding the farmers in this district very much....We need more colored farmers, gardners and business people....What we must do is produce! Produce! Read! Read! Read! The Freeman can be had each week, and you find it the newest and best paper extant. Get a copy. On sale at Thompson's or at 305½ South Sixth street....The True Reformers met again Monday evening at Odd Fellows Hall, Thirteen and Madison streets. The officers in part are: W. M., A. M. Williams; W. Sec., E. L. Rogers; W. T., Mrs. King....A very interesting men's meeting was held at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church Sunday, May 31....E. E. Perkins was re-elected Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks of this city in a spirited contest, his opponent being S. J. Morton. L. F. Osborne was elected representative, vice A. W. Naylor, defeated....Mrs. Sallie Rose has opened a first-class rooming house at 713½ East Washington street. ....The Freeman will soon be on sale at Neal & Brown's restaurant....Thompson's Cafe is another place that will take rank among the first-class....In the death of N. B. Smallwood we lose a valiant old soldier who stood the test in many a battle for the freedom of his people and rights under the law—Capt. R. A. Byrd, of Co. I, Quincy, has been re-elected to the captaincy of that company, making six years consecutively. He has been honored by the men of his company. He is proud of this honor and feels highly honored by the noble young men of Quincy who believe in his generalship....Capt. W. D. Hodge was re-elected captain of Co. H., Springfield I. N. G. Mr. Hodge has been captain ever since the organization of the company and is highly honored by the boys in blue in that city....Richard Ross was re-elected lieutenant of Co. H.....In politics—Deneen clubs are being organized in every precinct in the city, and before long the army will be ready to charge....R. S. Roberson and wife are here and will make Springfield their home. Mr. Robertson is a real estate man and promises to make teh other fellows set up and take notice. He is a fine young man....G. A. Ellis has opened his office again and will continue his real estate, rental and loan business. He is a good, honest, fair business man and we gladly recommend him to the people....C. S. Gibbs, our new and young attorney, had several cases in court last week. Mr. Gibbs promises to do a good business....A most interesting service was held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, South Grand avenue, corner Loveland, on Sunday, June 7. Mr. Charles Etieene Francois Boisson was ordained a deacon of the Episcopal church by the Rit. Rev. Edward W. Osborne, Bishop of Springfield. Mr. Boisson is a native of Haite and is warmly commended by Bishop Holly of the Island. He has been for some years resident in the United States, and for the past four years has been a student at the Divinity School at Petersburg, Va. He has passed all examinations with great credit, having a knowledge of Greek and Hebrew, in addition to church history, doctrine and the liturgies. He also speaks French fluently. Mr. Boisson will have charge of St. Augustine's Mission on South Grand avenue, where all who desire to study the services and methods of the Anglican church will find him.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The annual thanksgiving sermon of the Mosiac Templers and Juveniles were conducted Sunday, June 7, at the A. M. E. Church under the charge of Dr. W. A. Davis, master of ceremonies. The exercises were carried out nicely. Those on the program were Mrs. Sadie J. Clark, Mrs. Delia Girley, Mrs. Carmilla Baily, Mrs. Belle Roach, Mrs. Norcissa Sykes, Mr. Geo. W. Minor and Mr. L. L. Powell. Rev. B. Crawford, of the A. M. E. Church, delivered an excellent, masterly thanksgiving sermon from the 33d chapter of Exodus and the 14th verse. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. C. Price, rendered excellent music. A beautiful song, "In Thy Love," was sung by Mesdames Rodgers, Price and Barrett. Mrs. Lizzie Jackson, the Most Worthy Mistress, introduced to the audience Dr. W. A. Davis, master of ceremonies....Rev. R. O. Langforth, of Lafayette, Ala., was in our city last week....Mr. Perry Scott is viting his mother at Allsbora, Ala....Mrs. C. C. McGruder, of Bahnn, Ala., delivered a lecture at the A. M. E. Church Wednesday night. ....Rev. Thedford, of the Presbyterian Church, is conducting services in the K. of P. Hall....The concert given at the C. M. E. Church was a success under the direction of Mrs. Mamie James and Prof. F. H. Bowser....Read The Freeman, which can be found at William H. Jackson's ice cream parlor....Children's day will be observed at the Methodist and Baptist Churches the second Sunday in June.... The Mosiac choir is composed of the following named ladies and gentlemen: Mesdames Lou Rodgers, Ocean Barrett, Sadie J. Clark, Carmilla Baily, Delia Girley, Cilder Price and Mrs. Blair, Will H. Wallace, D. W. Shoemaker.

FOR BUSINESS MEN'S LEAGUE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

BALTIMORE, June 9.—The session here in August of the National Negro Business League promises to be a notable one in many respects. The Colored Business Men's Association, Mr. Harry T. Pratt, president, is endeavoring to have some features which have never obtained at one of the annual sessions. The local city council, mainly through the efforts of City Councilman Harry S. Cummings, has passed an ordinance for the illumination of four blocks on David Hill avenue, besides granting the use of one of the city boats for an outing down Chesapeake Bay.

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THE STAGE
HAYWOOD

Carita Day and her "picks" are still in Havana, Cuba, and are great favorites.

LeRoy Bland, character impersonator, will appear at the Crystal Theater, Anderson, Ind., next week.

The The Florida Company, the Big Negro Enterprise, is under the management of Douglass & Worthy, also owners.

Williams & Walker, Cole & Johnson are playing in vaudeville in leading theaters in New York at high salary, and are drawing large crowds.

Mrs. Lottie Hill, of Indianapolis, has accepted a position with the English Stock Company, to travel with Miss Norman, the leading lady, now playing the Pabst Theater, Milwaukee.

Master Louie Vader, of Minneapolis, the boy parody singer, composer and comedian, has rejoined Cooper's Plantation Funny Folks Company. This is his second season, and he is well pleased.

Fidler and Shelton, those two colored boys who have made a big hit in vaudeville, spent the week in Indianapolis visiting friends and relatives. "Fid" says that the team has plenty of good live contracts safely guarded in his inside pocket.

William Butler, the trap drummer, of Pittsburg, Pa., is now with S. T. Dunmore's Mighty Modern Minstrels, and sends best regards to P. G. Lowery's bunch, Billy Bradley, A. G. Truley, and all friends in and out of the profession.

Hi Henry's Famous Octoroons opened Monday night of last week at East St. Louis, Ill., under canvas, introducing a company of thirty talented performers, with the following comedians: James Green, Kid Seymond, Walter Young and A. Gaines.

Brown and Hodges, the cartoonists, are now in Canada, appearing with much success. The majority of the people in that country are of Catholic faith, and the "Sister" sketched by Miss Hodges is well received. At Sohmer Park, Montreal, every man in the audience looked with uncovered head.

Hi Jerry Barnes is getting along nicely with the Florida Blossoms. He is featuring his act, the "Teddy Bear," including Barnes & Barnes, Miss Banks, Mrs. Pirkens, Mr. James Smith, and it is going very fine. Barnes & Barnes send best regards to all professionals.

Prof. Alex. Berry, of Covington, Ky., leader of the band with John Robinson's show, is making quite a success with his band. Miss Cora Thornton is singing "Won't You Be My Honey?" with much success. Fred Travers is making a hit with "Good Old United States." Alberta Rash is playing the steam caliope and is giving a good song, "Just Help Yourself."

The Bruces have just finished twenty-two weeks in the vaudeville houses, playing all the best houses in the Middle West, and opened for the summer parks in Kansas City, June 7. Mrs. Bruce is now dancing on roller skates, and the act is a hit everywhere. They are the first and only colored actors ever playing in South Dakota and Nebraska. Regards to all friends.

"English," the hoop rolling marvel, and his wife, Queen Dora, terpsichorean artist, with her electrical dances, write: "We have just closed a very pleasant and profitable season of forty-two weeks with Voelckel and Nolan's Black Patti Troubadours, and are enjoying a much needed rest in our newly furnished flats at 116 West 134th street, New York City. Best wishes to all, and would like to hear from friends."

The American Jubilee Singers, Ethel McGee, I. H. Young, R. W. Jenkins, Wm. Finley, Ellenette Hamilton, Anna De Acklen, under the management of D. W. Brown, are meeting with much success in England. The pastors of the different churches recommend them very highly. They are not "coon" shouters, but are successors to the Fisk Jubilee Singers and are booked with all the churches throughout England.

Prof. P. G. Lowery, of the Hagenbeck & Wallace Shows, will play Milwaukee June 3-4. He is considered the best colored cornet soloist in the world. It is rumored that the Cream City Band, of which Harry Jones and P. J. Cooper are president and vice president, respectively, will give him a reception during his stay. Prof. Wm. Riley, of Chicago, is playing with the Milwaukee band.

Terry's U. T. C. Co. opened to a packed house in Little Sioux, Ia., and have since been doing good business. Messrs. J. W. Beecher and Joe Perkins continue with the company. Miss Nettie Barnet's fourth season with Terry's marks her success as "Topsy." She scores nightly. Others with the company are: R. E. L. Wilson, Mr. Willie Weatherspoon, Miss Lester Taylor, and the Browns, James and Mayme, in their song success, "Who Do You Love?" Regards to all in the profession.

LINCOLN PARK.

This park is the finest Sunday resort for colored people in the South. They have two shows on Sunday (matinee and night) at the park. The Enterprise Cornet Band makes splendid music, which is a great drawing card. The band also belongs to the First Regiment, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, and at our encampment in Tampa last week we made a decided hit, especially our baton manipulator, Mr. Dan Robinson. We had a line of over 1,000 members of the Uniform Rank. Prof. Popirro has been laid up with rheumatism, but is out again. The members of the band are: Geo. Popirro, solo cornet, director; J. R. Hammond, John Williams, Geo. Franklin, Robt. Briggs, Lapore Clabra, Jack Duberrion, Harry Nolan, Geo. Gardner, J. Sharpe, Ed Anderson, J. E. Powe, Henry Ward, L. L. Lawson, Fred Howard, Rich. Hollowman, Sam White, Frank Bowels, Dick Lawson, E. Alexander, James Roundtree, Edgar Jackson.

MACON, GA.

The performance given by the stock company for the past week was highly successful. The bright and particular star was Carrie Hall, in an up-to-date version of "Hannah from Savannah," ably supported by our company.

E. B. Dudley, our bandmaster, left the 3rd inst. to rejoin the Dandy Dixie Minstrels, in his former position as musical director. He will be missed. All join in sending regards and wish him much success.

Louis Lamar, the Laughing Kind, was much in evidence last week in a straight role.

Theresa Burroughs, our soubrette, is a continued favorite. Chink Floyd, a comedian who makes them laugh at his every entrance, is a natural born funny man. Tom Johnson and Emma Johnson did great credit to themselves in their respective roles. W. Goff Kennedy, as an old man, was all that could be expected. Amos Gilliard, the "Black Adonis," in his trombone solos, was compelled to respond to numerous encores nightly. The company sends regards to all friends. W. Goff Kennedy sends regards to Exchange Theater bunch, also Montgomery friends, and says, "write." Clarence (Piccolo) Jones sends regards to Fred Simpson and all friends.

"LOGAN'S LIE-RICS."

—By Tom Logan.—

R. W. Thompson, the erudite quill-driver, had an experience with a book agent nuisance last season, out in front of the Y. M. C. A. building at Louisville, and the boys are laughing about it yet, especially at the clever manner the irrepressible R. W. side-stepped. It seems that the leading members of a certain company were stopping near the Y. M. C. A. building, and having the privileges of the reading rooms extended them, were sitting on the veranda listening to a routine of new stories that were being exploited by Thompson in his spell-binding manner. The book agent approached the party, and, selecting R. W. as looking promising, said to him:

"I'm selling one of the best encyclopedias on the market. Now, can't I put you down for one?"

"Indeed, mister," said Thompson, assuming a simple air, "I wouldn't know how to ride one of them durn things if you give me one for nothing."

And as the agent, in a daze, turned to see what effect Richard's words had upon the other fellows, he was met with an avalanche of brutal laughter and grew wise in a moment, and the last seen of him he was beating it at a two-forty gait up Walnut street.

MARSHALL'S OLD PLANTATION.

We are certainly having some fine houses now. We have three shows a night. Webster Williams, our clever stage manager, is doing his best to please his proprietor, Mr. Marshall, and their patrons. Miss Vida DeVine Williams is well and up now doubling with her husband, Mr. Webb Williams.

Isiah Grant is working with us now and doing fine with his great baritone voice.

Miss Babara Santaria is doing fine and making a big hit. Little Joe and Rastus are holding them down. Luke is doing fine work on the end. Prof. Jno. Nickleby is great with the trap drums. Frank Boswell is with us, too; he's a good musician. Little Mamie is doing splendid as a soubrett. Mr. Bill Spriggins and his dancing are fine. Mack Allen, the slack wire walker, is also doing fine.

THE EXCHANGE THEATER.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—The Mines team is with us and doing well....Mr. Jakie Smith is raising sand this week. The people are crazy about him, but he will leave us soon....Miss Vergie Deo is well and doing well....Dan Robinson is back from Tampa, where he spent a week with the K. of P.'s. He did splendid work with the baton in the parades....Miss Agnes Powells is singing "Feather Your Nest for Birdie."....Miss Mittie Holmes is doing well....Miss Vergie Deo will leave for New Orleans next month....Miss Ada Harris Jones sends many thanks to Mr. A. G. Jones for the bunch of music he sent her....Mack Allen, the slack wire walker, is doing fine....Richmond V. Cross has closed with us, after being here for two years....Prof. J. M. Robinson is well, and also Prof. Jno. C. Haywood....Buddie Glenn, that eccentric comedian, is still making big hits and pleasing the patrons with his work. Regards to Bob Russell, Ed Harden, J. Ed Green and professional friends....A. B. Wright sends regards to friends....Willie Sullivan is doing fine at the Oak Grove Theater. He will be seen at the Cedar Grove Theater, Augusta, Ga., soon. Regards to professional friends. Address 125 Bridge st.

A PROMISE FULFILLED.

In the spring of 1906 Mrs. Aida Overton Walker promised Mrs. Victoria Earl-Matthews thta at some future date she would give of her talent and her means to help the White Rose Mission Home for Working Girls, and, though Mrs. Matthews in the meantime passed behind those impenetrable walls from which no traveler has ever returned, Mrs. Walker still felt it her duty to execute the promise she had made to benefit the institution which the lamented Mrs. Matthews founded here in the great Metropolis city. Mrs. Walker has distinguished herself in several ways worthy not only of a passing note, but of emulation by artists of her class. In the first place she showed a keen sense of the appreciation of the confidence which the public imposed in her. In this she did not disappoint, but instead went far beyond their expectations. Secondly, she from an artistic standpoint in matter of choice and taste Mrs. Walker showed that she knows what the public would expect of her and understanding this she summoned to her aid the best talent available in the country regardless of expense. She was accorded an ovation, a most deserving one, for in point of quality as well as quantity the like has not been surpassed in old Gotham among the "black folks," famous as this great city is for entertainments of of the best possible order. All of the carefully-selected numbers were rendered in flawless style by the group of star artists which Mrs. Walker had gathered about her. The spacious hall was crowded with nearly four thousand people most fashionably dressed and decidedly enthusiastic throughout.

THE EXCHANGE THEATER.

The Exchange Theater is gaining larger crowds every night. We're having some real nice shows now.

Prof. J. M. Robinson is manager and owner of the Jacksonville Baseball Club, which is called the Exchange. He sent them to Tallahasse, 3 games; Quincy, 3 Live Oak, 3; Lake City, 3. They returned this week, having won 10 games, tied 1, lost 1.

Prof. J. C. Haywood is well and doing fine.

Miss Amita Borden is well and making a big hit singing "I'm Going to Leave You."

Miss Mittie Holmes is doing fine.

Richmon V. Cross (poor boy) gets a barrel of encores every night. "He's the kid."

Mr. Buddie Glenn (comedian) is funny as ever. Regards to J. Ed Green and other friends.

Miss Agnes Powells is making good yet. Love to Frank Sutton.

Allie Wallace sends love to Miss Carrie Hall, Piccolo Jones and wife.

Miss Ada Harris Jones would like to thank Prof. A. G. Jones for the bunch of music he sent her. She is singing one this week—"When the Moon Plays Peek-a-Boo with you."

Dan Robinson is doing fine. He can make 'em laugh.

Jakie Smith will leave Tuesday for Chicago.

Willie Sulivan, the star comedian at Oak Grove Theater, will leave for Augusta, Ga, this week.

LeVozier Don Bradford has been a little sick for two weeks, but is better now and doing fine in the scenery line, expecting to have a pretty big job of scenery soon.

Lincoln park is packed at every show.

The enterprise cornet band make splendid music. The members are: Geo. Popino, director, R. Hammon, John Williams Geo. Franklin, Robert Briggs, Lapore Clabran, Jack Dubenion, Harry Nolan, J. Sharpe, Ed Anderson, J. E. Powe, Henry Ward, L. L. Lawson, Fred Howard, Richard Hollomon, Fan White, Frank Bowels, Dick Lawson, E. Alexander, James Roundtree, Dan Robinson (batonist), Edcar Jackson.

METROPOLITAN STOCK CO.

After some time of hard labor and time we have been successful in securing the finest theater in Louisville, the new Masonic Theater, Fourth and Chestnut streets. It is the handsomest theater in the South with a seating capacity of 2,200. We open June 17 with a high-class solored stock company composed of fifty selected colored performers, in connection with Prof. Tobe Brown and his full orchestra of ten solo musicians under the musical direction of Wm. Taylor. The opening show is a new musical comedy entitled "Black America," staged by Joseph Clark, Jr., who has won a wide reputation throughout the country as being a stage director as well as a play writer, and knows what the public demands, and he intends to give them a show perfect in every detail, presenting new, novel, pleasing, refined and original features. A revelation in musical comedy. Truely the greatest ever attempted by any one. Dormancy of brain and lassitude on the part of incompetent promoters cause a continuation of ancient and worn out ideas in musical comedy. Knowing the appreciations of the amusement loving public for something new I take great pleasure in calling their attention to the organization I have placed before them. After due consideration, thought and study I have resolved on the creation of a new departure in musical comedy. All the worn out ideas and acts that the people have seen for years has been discarded and in their place I have put before them the acme of perfection and realism—a show that they will enjoy. Messrs Walter G. Tinsley and Geo. Woolridge, who are promoters and directors of the stock company, are two well known as well as well like gentlemen among the people of Louisville, and are known as strictly business men, and their connection with the stock company already proves a success. They have spared no pains or expense in the way of advertising, as lithos, heralds and banners can be seen in al parts of the city.

We have just started our first rehearsal, as all the performers are now in the city. Mr. J. Ed. Green, stage manager of the Pekin Theater, Chicago, known as the Black Belasco, is in the city and will be here until our opening show. He will occupy a lower box together with Dr. Blackburn, whose guest he now is. Mr. Robert T. Motts, proprietor of the Pekin Stock Company and Theater in Chicago, is also expected to be present to witness our opening performance. This will be the most extreme novelty of the season, whose appreciation we hope will be manifested by a large attendance. The opening show, "Black America," is a musical comedy, fully of catchy music, and we hope that it will be remembered by the music lovers of Louisville. However, the remarkable staging of the musical numbers and dancers by Joseph Clark, Jr., and the beautiful costumes accentuated prettily the charming coquettishness of their apeparance, indulge in those captivating gestures and nods wil be done in a genteel manner, invariably the effect on the audience will be instantaneous. The company will be headed by a cast of unexcelled artists. The following are some of the principal characters:

Wm. Abel, Bud Lively, Robert Clark, Eugene Clark, Lovie Tayor, James Berry, James Clark, Wm. Mitchell, Geo. Moore, James Anderson, James Wells, Ollie Powers, Leonard Fields, Russell Warden, Murry Smith, Rufus Foster, Geo. Green, Jno. Page, Julius Mitchell, Elmo Taylor, White City Quartete, the Delmont Quartete, Mollie Robinson, Crittie Ashford, Crittis Burks, Lillie Grear, Nettie Taylor, Laura Hughes, Annie Mathews and Prof. Tobe Brown's full orchestra. A refined and fashionable olio, composed of the well known colored talent. James Berry introducing illustrated songs; the Taylors, Lovie and Nettie, colored fashion plates, champion buck and wing dancers and coon shouters; the Clark Bros., Eugene and Joe, champion tamborine beaters and bone rattlers of the world; Geo. Moore, the man with the big mouth; James Anderson, the musical moke; Clark and Lively, Robert and Bud, the two real coons and knockabout comedians; Mollie Robinson, the bronze nightingale; the grand final by the entire company, entitled Railroad Bill, introducing buck dancing, ragtime singing and Southern melodies, featuring the two big musical hits, "Loving Kid," by James Clark; "The Boy with the Ragtime Voice," and the Philippine dance by Engene Clark, Robert Clark and Bud Lively.

Executive staff for the Metropolitan Colored Stock Co.: Geo. Woolridge, president; Joseph Clark, Jr., business manager and stage director; Walter G. Tinsley, manager and treasurer; Eugene Clark, assistant stage manager and carpenter; Jno. Page, vocal director; Prof. Tobe Brown, leader of orchestra; Prof. Wm. Taylor, director of orchestra; Robert Clark, master of property.

GIANTS DEFEAT BLUE BIRDS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The Louisville Giants and the strong Covington Blue Birds played a strong game Sunday. The feature of the game was the playing of the infield of the Giants and the pitching of Carr for the Blues, also home run of Watson. The score:

Giants ....1 0 0 3 2 1 0 0 1—8
Blues ....0 3 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—4

Batteries—Sanford and Coleman; Carr and Benton. Struck out—By Sanford, 5; by Carr, 4. Umpire—Nutter. Attendance—700.

Sunday, the 14th, the strong Gold Medals, of Indianapolis, will play the Giants.

LOUISVILLE, KY., SPORT.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Jagger and Merry Widows Baseball Clubs had a grand game of ball at Twenty-eighth and Broadway, June 2, a large crowd turning out to see the game. Jagger club line-up: Henry Oldham, p.; Willie Hicks, s. s.; Alfred Hicks, 2b.; Walter McNairy, r. f.; Hugh McNairy, 1b.; Harry Clark Jefferson, manager. Score, 13 to 10, Crutchfield, c. f.; Hugh Doudy, l. f.; Sam Alexander, c.; Bill Harris, 3b.; Lewis Merry Widows Baseball Club: Waddel, l. f.; Claude, c. f.; Thompson, c.; Claybrooks, r. f.; Wallace, 1b.; Booker, s. s.; Baskett, 3b.; Mitchell, p.; Colie, 2b.; favor of Merry Widows. Joe Cotter, umpire.

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George Slaughter was defeated in a foot race by John Lems Duke, June 2.

CHICAGO UNIONS VS. A. B. C.S.

The crack Chicago Unions will meet the A. B. C.'s at Northwestern Park, to-day and to-morrow, and a battle royal is looked for. The Unions have four of the A. B. C.'s in their line-up—Primm, Young, Hutchinson and Talbert—and nothing would give them greater satisfaction than to defeat their old comrades. Manager Butler has strengthened his team in all departments, and states that he will capture the series. The following is the line-up:

A. B. C.'s—C. Reeves, r. f.; E. Herron, c. f.; J. Shawler, l. f.; J. Merida, 2b. and capt.; G. Board, 1b.; T. Allen, 3b.; L. Gatewood, s. s.; C. Bishop, c.; W. Higbee, p.; L. Johnson, p.; J. Davis, p.; H. Washington, p.

Chicago Unions—F. Young, r. f.; J. Green, c. f.; J. Ramsey, l. f.; G. Toney, 2b.; R. Robinson, 1b.; J. Smith, 3b.; F. Hutchison, s. s.; W. Primm, c.; F. Talbert, p.; W. Ball, p.; G. Norman, p.

WIN ONE, LOSE ONE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

COLUMBUS, O.—The Sunday game at the Driving Park, between Columbus and Cleveland, of the Ohio State Colored League, was a very fast one. There were many good plays pulled off by both teams. Cleveland has a fast bunch, and made Columbus play every inch to win. Reid, Thomas and Selden starred for Columbus. Bowman made a sensational catch and made a double play.

The Cleveland Giants took the second game after ten innings of fine ball playing by both teams. Thomas did some fine batting for Columbus. Gilkerson, for Cleveland, did some keen work around second base and short. The scores:

First game—

COLUMBUS GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
White, c. f.	0	1	1	0	1
Lindsey, s. s.	1	2	1	2	1
Russell, 3b	0	1	3	2	0
Allen, 1b	1	1	12	1	0
Thomas, c.	2	2	3	4	0
Selden, 2b	0	1	5	4	0
Green, l. f.	0	3	2	0	0
Nease, r. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Reid, p	1	2	0	3	0
Totals	5	14	27	16	2

CLEVELAND GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Johnson, 3b	0	1	2	2	0
Gilkerson, 2b	0	0	5	0	1
Parks, 1b	0	0	5	2	1
Follis, c.	0	1	7	1	1
Bowman, s. s.	0	1	3	0	0
Turner, l. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Nelson, c. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Mosby, r. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Sloan, p.	0	0	0	1	0
Garrison, p.	0	1	0	6	0
Totals	0	6	24	12	3

Freeland batted for Johnson in 9th inning.

Score by innings:
Columbus ....0 1 3 1 0 0 0 0 0—5
Cleveland ....0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Stolen Base—Reid.
Sacrifice Hits—Reid, Gilkerson.
Bases on Balls—Off Reid, 1; off Sloan, 1; off Garrison, 1.
Two-base Hits—White, Russell, Thomas, Selden.
Double Play—Gilkerson to Parks to Bowman.
Struck Out—By Reid, 3; by Sloan, 1; by Garrison, 6.
Wild Pitches—Sloan, 3.
Innings Pitched—Reid, 9; Sloan, 3; Garrison, 5.
Hits—Off Sloan, 12; off Garrison, 2.
Time of Game—1:47.
Umpire—Rich.
Attendance—650.

Second game—

COLUMBUS GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
White, c. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Lindsey, s. s.	0	2	4	3	0
Russell, 3b	0	2	4	3	0
Allen, 1b	2	2	10	1	0
Thomas, r. f.	2	3	0	0	0
Selden, 2b	1	1	3	5	1
Green, l. f.	0	0	2	0	0
Nease, c.	0	0	4	3	1
Wade, p.	0	1	3	3	0
Totals	5	12	30	18	2

CLEVELAND GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Turner, l. f.	0	2	1	0	0
Gilkerson, 2b-s. s.	1	2	7	4	0
Bowman, s. s.-2b	2	2	2	5	1
Parks, 1b.-p.	1	2	8	0	1
Mosby, r. f.	1	2	0	0	0
Johnson, 3b	0	0	3	3	0
Sloan, c. f.	0	2	2	0	0
Nelson, c.	1	1	1	4	1
Garrison, p.	0	1	2	2	0
Bright, 1b	0	0	4	0	0
Totals	6	14	30	18	3

Score by innings:
Columbus ....0 2 0 1 0 2 0 0 0 0—5
Cleevland ....0 0 1 0 2 2 0 0 0 1—6

Sacrifice Hit—Garrison.
Bases on Balls—Off Wade, 1; off Garrison, 1; off Parks, 1.
Two-base Hits—Thomas, Lindsey.
Home Runs—Thomas (2).
Double Play—Gilkerson to Parks.
Hit by Pitched Ball—By Wade, 1.
Struck Out—By Wade, 3; by Parks, 4; by Garrison, 3.
Innings Pitched—By Wade, 10; by Garrison, 7; by Parks, 3.
Hits—Off Garrison, 10; off Parks, 2.
Time of Game—1:58.
Umpire—Rich.
Attendance—650.

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CORAOPOLIS, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

At the New Hope Baptist Church Sunday, 11 a. m., covenant meeting was held, at 3 p. m. communion was served and at 8 p. m. Rev. J. L. Saunders, pastor, preached from 42 Psalms iv to a large audience....At Mount Olivet Baptist Church Rev. Fills, pastor, preached two powerful sermons at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. to large congregations at both services....At St. Pauls A. M. E. Zion Church Rev. W. H. Davis preached at 11 a. m. and at 7:30. Rev. V. L. Stout, pastor preached at 3 p. m. The choir and congregation attended West View M. E. Church in a body to attend the grand rally. Rev. V. L. Stout preached to a large audience....Miss Georgia Lee Winston left Sunday to visit relatives in Bridgeport, Ohio....Miss Myrtle Smith, of Strothers, Ohio, who was the house guest of Miss Bowman, returned home Saturday....Miss Clemtine Douglass and Miss Susie A. Menly returned from Harpers Ferry W. Va., Saturday, where they have been attending Storer College. Miss Menly is a member of 1908 graduation class....Mrs. Lena Sutton, who was the house guest of Mrs. Allen, Cleveland, Ohio for ten days, returned home during the week....The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Pauls A. M. E. Zion Church, was entertained Thursday evening, June 6, by Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, Miss Avella Freeman and Mrs. William Robinson at the residence of Mrs. Jenkins, for the benefit of the church. Those present wereMr.and Mrs. Fanell, Mrs. Frazier, Miss Alice Johnson, Miss Lydia Castle and Mr. and Mrs. Simms....Mr. John Flood returned from Wheeling, W. Va., after spending several days visiting his father, whom he had not seen for eight years....The Coraopolis Giants defeated the Stowe A. C. in a fourteen-inning contest Saturday, June 6, at MceKes Rocks. The feature of the game was the pitching of Vail and the batting of Webster, also the base stealing of Capt. Bagby. Following are the players and positions: Stowe A. Club—E. Folds, 1b.; Gast, 2b.; Single, l. f.; Colburn, 3b.; Micholson, c. f.; Kiltington, s. s.; Reynolds, r. f.; G. Folds, c.; Alber, p.; L. Boyer, sub.; George Bagby, capt. Coraopolis Giants—Quarles, 1b.; Robinson, 2b.; Bernard, s. s.; Bagby, c.; Webster, 2b.; R. Chaney, r. f.; Winston, l. f.; Bowman, c. f.; Vail, p.; R. Chaney, mgr. ....Mrs. Suise B. Jackson, of Youngstown, O., who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Boyd, of Vine street, returned home Sunday....Mr. Lewis Taylor returned during the week from Rochester, Pa. He will remain indefinitely....Mr. Minor J. Johnson, of Youngstown, O., spent Sunday in town visiting friends and relatives....Buy THE FREEMAN and keep posted on what the colored people are doing. For sale every week by D. P. Dusey, 818 Vine street....A grand entertainment and lawn fete will be given June 13, at Watson Grove, by the Afro-American Political Club, for the benefit of the club, which is working for the advancement of the colored citizens. The committee is as follows: J. H. Rucker, chairman; James Ferrel, Ben Branch, James Anderson.

LOCKLAND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. J. C. Conway, of Walnut street, is now visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. A. Rhoads, at Springfield, O....Mrs. Lizzie Merritt, of Mulberry street, departed this life on May 27 at the age of eighty-one years. She leaves nine children and 108 grandchildren and great grandchildren. ....The Ministers' and Deacons' Institute was in session last week at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church. An excelent program was rendered. Rev. G. W. Wyatt, its president, deserves praise for the excellent talent which he brought together in our village.

ROUTE.

W. H. REED, with Barnum and Bailey Show—Springfield, Mass., June 15; Hartford, Conn., 16; Waterbury, 17; New Haven, 18; Bridgeport, 19; Danbury, 20.
THE BRUCES—Week of June 15, Electric Park, Kankakee, Ill.
S. T. DUNSMORE, with the Ringling Bros. Shows—Toledo, O., June 15; Goshen, Ind., 16; South Bend, 17; Joliet, Ill., 18; Rockford, 19; Dubuque, Ia., 20.
FIDLER & SHELTON—Week of June 15, Green Bay, Wis.
NORRIS & ROWE CIRCUS—Seattle, Wash., June 15, 16, 17; New Westminister, B. C., 20.

THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE

Notice.—Persons whose names appear in the following list will kindly send for mail, as the names will appear four times and then returned to writer or dead-letter office. It would prevent delay if all performers would send route from time to time and letter could be forwarded at once.

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Black, Napoleon.
Beaver, Susie.
Campbell, Mamie.
Clark, James B. H.
Dudley, Clarence.
Davis, Tom W.
Frye, Ed.
Hall, James P.
Harris, Jennie.
Harris, James A.
Hallback, Wm.
Levard, Wm. A.
Miller, Calvin.
Mullen, McW. L.
Mahara, Frank.
McMullen, W. L.
Payton, Lew.
Perry and Crosby.
Quinn, Andrew.
Robert Brown.
Smith, Andrew.
Simpson, Fred.
Shields, Willie.
The Jolly Prices.
Tutt, Homer.
Thomases, The.
Talber, John.
The Hallbacks.
Williams, Charles P
Williams and Baynai
Mgr. Kersands Minstrels.
Carolina Jubilee Singers.

Ladies' List.

Gibbons, Edith.
Jones, Gracie.
Russell, Emma.
Cloyd, Hattie.

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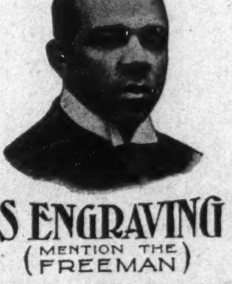

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SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON.

"BURN 'EM UP."

When writing love letters
To the fair,
You are forging fatal fetters.
Pray beware!
For your fancy is a kind
Of delirium, and you'll find
You may want to change your mind,
So take care!

Of "Ownest Poll" or "Patty"
Not a hint!
Of cute remarks to "Catty"
You must stint
Yourself, and all the sort
Of things one writes in sport
Which don't read well in court,
Or in print.

Ladies save all scraps of writing
As a rule,
So, when letters you're inditing,
Pray, keep cool!
Or there'll be the deuce to pay—
And the lady, too—some day,
While your friends all laugh and say,
What a fool!

—Selected.

Joe Gans continues to "bring home the bacon."

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The commencement orator is abroad in the land.

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It still looks like "Taft and Fairbanks." Can you beat it?

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Burrows will stick, as it is the nature of "burrs" to do.

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Ofttimes the smallest newspaper carries the biggest editorial staff at its masthead.

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Merchant, don't forget to advertise your wares, if you would do business and stay in business.

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It is difficult to get along with the friend who expects you to renew your pledge of fidelity to him every twenty-four hours.

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Bryan would be a "cinch." And Johnson—well, he might be able to make the fight interesting.

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Editor Roscoe Conkling Simmons has evidently forgiven Speaker Cannon for being left-handed.

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The American Negro wishes Liberia well, but he will remain here for the present, thank you.

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The clarion voice of the Hon. J. Milton Turner is strangely silent amid this terrible crisis in the Nation's affairs.

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The young man who has more business at the bank than in the saloon is not likely to be obliged to seek a job often.

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The public man who stops important work to explain away the attacks of professional mud-slingers is wasting time.

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If "absence makes the heart grow fonder," we shall love Ben Tillman to death if he will just go to Europe and stay forever.

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Bishop Smith's prediction has come true. The standing candidates for office at the general conferences have gone 'way back and sat down.

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It must not be understood that Elinor Glyn's "Three Weeks" is a story of the three weeks' general conference period at either Philadelphia or Norfolk.

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Negro business enterprises which open places of employment to equipped men and women of the race are prime factors in the solution of the race problem.

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If the Negro would protect his citizenship and gain the rights he seeks, he must stand loyally by his friends. There is nothing to hope for from the enemy.

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Ira T. Bryant won out under two of the heaviest handicaps that any candidate had to contend with at Norfolk—dirty politics and the offense of being "merely a layman."

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The moral obligation of the Republican leaders in Congress to "do something for Brownsville" next December shelves the soldiers' problem as a campaign issue and relieves the protesting Negroes.

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Deride it as you may, when a charming widow lags superfluous on the sea of single blessedness, she does so from choice. What mere man can resist her when she "sets her cap" for him?

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The leap year is nearly half gone and an immense lot of bachelors and widowers remain on the matrimonial market. Surely they have not been asked by the proper maiden or any bewitching widow.

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A wealthy Chinese merchant married a finely educated colored woman not long ago, at Los Angeles, Cal., and placed her in a $7,000 mansion—and thus gave the so-called race problem another severe jolt.

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If you are not following Ralph W. Tyler's entrancing story of Arabian love and life, "The Love that Could Not Sin," now running in the Colored American Magazine, you are missing a rare literary treat.

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No truly reliable daily sends its cub reporters to cover meetings of any consequence held by colored people. These goslings haven't sufficient discrimination to discern the difference between wit and coarse vulgarity.

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This is the economic stage of the Negro's development, and the problems relating to us are mainly of an economic character. We must face them with this fact in view, much as we might order it otherwise.

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Richard Theodore Greener represented the United States with credit and distinction at Vladivostok, Russia. He should be given another assignment in keeping with his high-grade abilities, personal dignity and diplomatic experience.

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The cook is the architect of a people's happiness. The laundress is near to divinity, as "cleanliness is next to godliness." Those who deny these callings a place among the fine arts, ascribing them as menial, are "talking through their hats."

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It is the short-sighted theatrical or concert manager who neglects to hand a bunch of complimentaries to the press. Generous treatment of the fellows who write is the least expensive and most effective method of advertising. Some managers understand it; most do not.

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A fraternal handshake is hereby extended to Dr. G. C. Clement, who was very fittingly re-elected editor of the Star of Zion, and to Dr. H. T. Johnson, chosen by his connection to round out twenty years as the editor of the Christian Recorder.

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Recorder John C. Dancy intimates that there may be a few more very desirable seats left on the Taft-Roosevelt band wagon, but the late comers cannot expect to get any horns of more than ordinary dimensions. Brother Dancy got in early and picked out the biggest and loudest one in stock.

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Those who failed to win office at the hands of the general conferences this year may console themselves with the reflection that it doesn't take four years long to roll around, if they will keep on "running" just as if nothing had happened. The exercise will make them stronger next time.

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Those who like to prophesy surprising things are saying that Senator Foraker may yet appear in the Chicago convention and second the nomination of Secretary Taft. Party harmony is a prime desideratum this year, and the Ohio Senator has never been "irregular" at any stage of his great career.

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The Rev. Jay Albert Johnson, who accepted an African bishopric, rather than get left out in the cold, has neglected so far to send in any acknowledgment of our herculean efforts as his press agent. Some folks are so ungrateful when they rise to the dizzy height of presiding over ecclesiastical bodies that have yet to be born.

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Ira T. Bryant's majority as secretary of the A. M. E. Sunday School Union was not as big as a church nor as wide as a barn door, but 'twill serve as effectively as if it had been a half hundred instead of half a vote. The church looks for big things from Mr. Bryant, and it is our prediction that he will equal all reasonable expectations.

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The so-called "social equality" dinner in Brooklyn turns out to have been a sensational newspaper fake. A few broad-minded men and women of each race met to talk over ways and means to uplift humanity—and a bunch of gosling reporters in search of something to fill space at so much "per" did the rest.

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D. Webster Davis is delivering an excellent lecture on "People I Don't Care to Meet." In this black list he very appropriately places the man with a grouch because he has been a failure and the supersensitive woman who is so suspicious that she imagines somebody is eternally trying to hand her a slight because of jealousy of her social standing.

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Judge Robert H. Terrell, the ablest jurist on the bench of the Municipal Court of the District of Columbia, says: "This country has produced just three really great private secretaries—Daniel S. Lamont, George B. Cortelyou and Emmett J. Scott." And the learned judge might have added that they were chief of staff to three of the greatest characters this country has ever produced.

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American race prejudice is a peculiar institution. The Liberian delegation, composed of Negroes of unmistakable tint, were welcome guests at the Arlington, Washington's most aristocratic hostelry, where the prices bear a lifelike resemblance to the Washington Monument in altitude, yet they would not have been tolerated for a single moment at a second-rate hotel at the capital, where the accommodations are within the reach of all.

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The next session of the B. M. C. will be held at Atlantic City, September 14 to 19, and the indications are that it will be the most representative convention yet held by the G. U. O. of O. F. Grand Master W. L. Houston, who has given such a splendid administration, is slated for re-election, and many measures looking to the betterment of the order will be discussed. According to Mr. Houston's figures, there are now 378,000 colored Odd Fellows in the country.

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Somebody in the various theological schools ought to instruct prospective ministers to confer a favor upon suffering humanity by refraining from working a half-hour speech into their prayers when called upon to invoke the Divine blessing at a public meeting; likewise, that it is a breach of etiquette to attempt to make "the speech of the evening," when merely asked to deliver a short address of welcome, when a bunch of "big guns" strike the town.

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The Democrats threaten to make the Supreme Court an issue in the coming campaign. Nothing would be better for the Republicans if the Democrats act as if they want to control the Nation's highest court in order to set at naught the fundamental principles of the Federal Constitution. Nothing would go so far to solidify the Negro vote, for an old-line Democratic Supreme Court might take advantage of its opportunity to overthrow the three war amendments and thus reduce the black man to legalized serfdom.

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Tillman, the apologist for the forcible amalgamation of whites and blacks in the South—as long as the aggressions are confined to white men toward Negro women—treads dangerously near the median line of anarchy when he attempted to discuss the so-called "social equality dinner" in New York. To insure against adulterating the Southern whites by mulatto infusion, he says: "If deportation is impossible, the destruction of the black race is not." This sound very much like a yell of "Murder."

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President W. P. Thirkield is a success at Howard University. Under his painstaking, conscientious and energetic management the student body has been largely augmented, the revenues have been increased, the alumni have been stimulated to help more systematically than ever, and the institution has implanted itself more firmly than ever before in the confidence of the people. The forthcoming $50,000 library building given by Andrew Carnegie is the crowning feat of the highly prosperous year.

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If the Negro gets mad enough to vote in a Democratic administration next November, he will have a long time in which to contemplate the havoc that will be created among those of the race who hold federal positions. Samson crushed beneath the temple of the Philistines, pulled down by his own hands, will not be a "marker" to what will happen to our registers, auditors, recorders, judges, collectors, district attorneys and department clerks, should the hungry "po' whites" get a whack at the official pie now enjoyed by the black people.

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What to do with our boys is a question that is worrying the parents of the country, and it is especially prominent in the category of problems which the colored parents have to face, as both morals and chances for a livelihood must be considered. Prof. E. W. B. Curry, the resourceful president of the Curry Institute, at Urbana, O., is planning a conference at his school to discuss ways and means for bettering the opportunities of our boys and to lead them along the paths of education, temperance, Christianity and to inculcate the habit of industry.

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Rev. J. G. Robinson, of Dayton, O., who was unanimously elected official reporter of the A. M. E. General Conference, deserves unstinted credit for the splendid accounts of the doings of that great body. Not only did he successfully and graphically handle the news through the Associated Press, reaching every section of the land through the Caucasian dailies, but was the central force in getting out full reports each day through the daily edition of the Lodge Journal and Guide, the race journal that has made Tidewater, Va., famous. Dr. Robinson is a trenchant writer and has a natural nose for news. It may be added that he will loom large in the fight for the editorship of the Christian Recorder in 1912.

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The Episcopal Church is peculiarly fortunate in securing Bishop Brent as the head of the diocese of Washington, where the problems to be solved are numerous and highly complex because of the cosmopolitan character of the population. Three points of superior capability are emphasized through his traditions and training, thus: For several years he ministered unto the Negroes of Boston; he now comes to a community in which there are 100,000 colored folk. As missionary bishop to the Philippines he again dealt in close contact with millions of dark-skinned people, winning their confidence, and built a cathedral, such as he must complete here. He knows governmental agencies and methods and possesses a charm as a pulpiteer and a tact that will stand him in good stead in a city where diplomacy is a prime requisite for successful administration. Negroes and whites alike await the coming of Bishop Brent.

JACKSON, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

On or about the 19th inst. a grand public installation was given at Pratt's Chapel M. E. Church, West Jackson, by the Lone Star Race Pride of F. L. and H. Twenty officers were installed. This organization has 192 lodges in the State and 2,015 members. Mr. V. D. Jones is grand deputy. He has organized two lodges in Jackson. Its aim and object is to elevate the race morally, intellectually and industrially. Its headquarters are in Greenville, Miss.... Lewis Lowry, a citizen of West Jackson, was found dead in his bed on the morning of the 26th. He had been on the sick list for several years, although at times able to be up and at labor. He was a Christian and a member of the Lynch Street Baptist Church. His remains were taken to Clinton, Miss., for interment, he being an old resident of that section.... Campbell College commencement exercises began on the 29th inst. Prof. Pontan, president, preached the baccalaureate sermon at Foley's Chapel, A. M. E. Church, at 11 a. m., on Sunday, May 31. The college seems to be gaining ground. Its faculty is excellent. The school compares most favorably with other institutions of learning.... Joe Smith is now having a two-story building erected on his lot on Lynch street, having lost his residence there several months ago by a fire, which swept four others in the same block. Mr. Smith is employed by the Mississippi Undertaking Company, of Jackson, which is doing a thriving business in our city.... Mrs. Laura Dotson has just opened an up-to-date restaurant and lunch counter in the Redmond building, on Mill street, opposite the Union Depot.... John Jourdan has opened an up-to-date barber shop on Lynch street, near his residence. He is special messenger at the State Capitol, delivering the mail there three times daily, attending his shop from 5 p. m. to 8.... Thomas Henderson was brought home about two weeks ago critically ill. He is a son of the Rev. Henry Henderson, one of the oldest preachers in the Mississippi Conference, having been retired to the superannuated list at the last A. M. E. Conference.... The commencement exercises of the Jackson public school for colored children were held at the America Theater, Friday morning, May 29, at 11 o'clock. The following program was given with great credit to the colored boys and girls of Jackson: Chorus, "Waves of the Danube;" invocation; duet, "Oh, Tell Us, Merry Bird," by Misses Mary G. Taylor and Callie C. Jackson; paper, "Shall We Go Up or Down the Stream of Life?" by Miss Beulah Beatrice Beal; paper, "Opportunities Await Us," by Miss Mary Bird Atwood; quartette, "Moonlight Dance," Misses Brown, McCarter, Hemingway and Jackson; oration, "Moral Courage," Joseph Wright; paper, "The Fruits of Labor," by Miss Mary Bell McCarter; duet, "I Am Waiting for Thee," by Misses Brown and McCarter; paper, "The Ideal of a Woman," by Miss Callie Elain Jackson; oration, "Success Under Difficulties," by Thomas Gilbert Hemingway; solo, "The Huntsman's Horn," by Miss R. B. Brown; paper, "Purpose and Will," by Miss Churlie Daniel; paper, "Usefulness," by Miss Rosa Bell Brown; violin solo, Joseph Wright; address, by Prof. W. H. Holtzelaw, principal Utica Institute, Utica, Miss.; presentation of diplomas; class farewell.... The Jackson and Vicksburg baseball clubs crossed bats at Jackson, May 28 and 29, for three games. Jackson won the first game, 10 to 9, May 28, but lost a double-headed May 29, first game 11 to 3, second game 9 to 1.

SHOULD HAVE BILL OF HEALTH.

Prospective bridegrooms of the future may be compelled to furnish the marriage license clerk with certificates of good health before they get the necessary permits if the desires of physicians attending the convention of the American Medical Association are carried into execution.

Believing that good health is of just as much importance as the wedding ring, the license, or any other indispensables of a wedding, the physicians have proposed that a board of medical men, probably consisting of three members, might be added to the city's health department to enforce such regulations as might be deemed necessary in this connection.

Under these proposed regulations the husband-to-be would find it necessary to visit the city's physician and submit to such an examination as might be demanded if he were about to take out life insurance. If successful in passing the examination he would receive a certificate of good health, and be sent on to marriage license Clerk Simonson. If he failed to pass the examination he would be compelled to give up the idea of matrimony or go to some other State, as now is more or less the practice among the divorcees.

DEFENDER OF THE CORSET.

Many topics were discussed by various departments of the convention. Dr. A. Ernest Gallant, of New York, came to the rescue of that much maligned article of feminine apparel, the corset, by declaring that instead of being dangerous it was beneficial if properly constructed. Dr. Gallant told the physicians who made up the obstetrical section that he had in many instances recommended corsets and that he even approved pads and artificial means of making a lean from appear plump.

"To be sure, anything which goes to make a woman appear more beautiful and does not injure her health is desirable," naively asserted the physician, while the women doctors in the audience smiled their approval.

To back up his statements the physician produced diagrams of the figure as it should be and of the proper means of building it out or restraining it by means of the corset. The corset has a tendency to hold the organs in place, he added, and adds to the attractiveness of the wearer.

"A pad makes a cushion between the clothing of the wearer and the steel," he said. "The pads may be half an inch in thickness or even thicker, according to the desire of the wearer. Where I order the corset for a patient I always try to arrange the pads to cause the appearance of even proportions."

BAD FOOD CAUSES DRUNKENNESS.

It was suggested by members of the Society for the Study of Inebriety that the Prohibition party should busy itself with the restaurants which sell impure food which, according to one physician, cause as many drundards as intoxicating drinks.

"In order that the Prohibition party be consistent in getting at the root of this evil, it should seek the prohibition of the sale of much of the food sold in the restaurants," said Dr. T. D. Crothers. "With auto-intoxication resulting from fermenting food in one's stomach, a man is in as great danger of getting drunk from eating as from drinking."

Dr. L. D. Mason, of Brooklyn, took occasion to denounce the present methods of municipalities in dealing with inebriates, saying that these methods made habitual drunkards and did nothing toward curing them.

"Fines and improsonments for drunkards educate and precipitate them into incurable conditions," said Dr. Mason. "Of every 100 men arrested as drunkards, ninety-nine are arrested again and again as long as they live. Our system of penalizing them demoralizes them.

FARM COLONIES A REMEDY.

"I would suggest farm colonies as the only means of permanently curing these unfortunates like that now maintained in connection with the poorhouse at Cleveland. Liquor victims may break away from their former surroundings and habits on good country food, while they may regain their physical vigor plowing or husing corn."

Dr. Crothers surprised his hearers by producing figures to show that 5 per cent. of the ministers were addicted to the use of liquors and drugs. Twenty per cent. of the lawyers and 80 per cent. of the saloon keepers and bartenders, he said, also used intoxicants and drugs immoderately.

GRADING THE CHILDREN.

Child labor laws and school regulations, which class children only according to their ages in years, work untold injury to the boys and girls so classified, according to Dr. Thomas Rotch, of Boston, who has made a study of juvenile development. He has planned a more scientific system of standards.

Dr. Rotch asserted before the section on diseases of children, that the Roentgen ray alone could furnish a reliable index to the development of a child and that years meant little or nothing as to their development.

"We need entirely new standards for reforming the early years of child life both from an educational and physical point of view," said Dr. Rotch. "We need a standard that will tell the truth. The Roentgen ray must supplant the veracity of the parents and the doubtful value of ages in years.

"The classification of children either in child labor laws, in the kindergarten, in school, or in the gymnasium only as to years works great injury to the children. Some children advance both mentally and physically far beyond others. Roentgenographs of the hand and wrist furnish more reliable data as to the development of a child, I believe, than any other agency."

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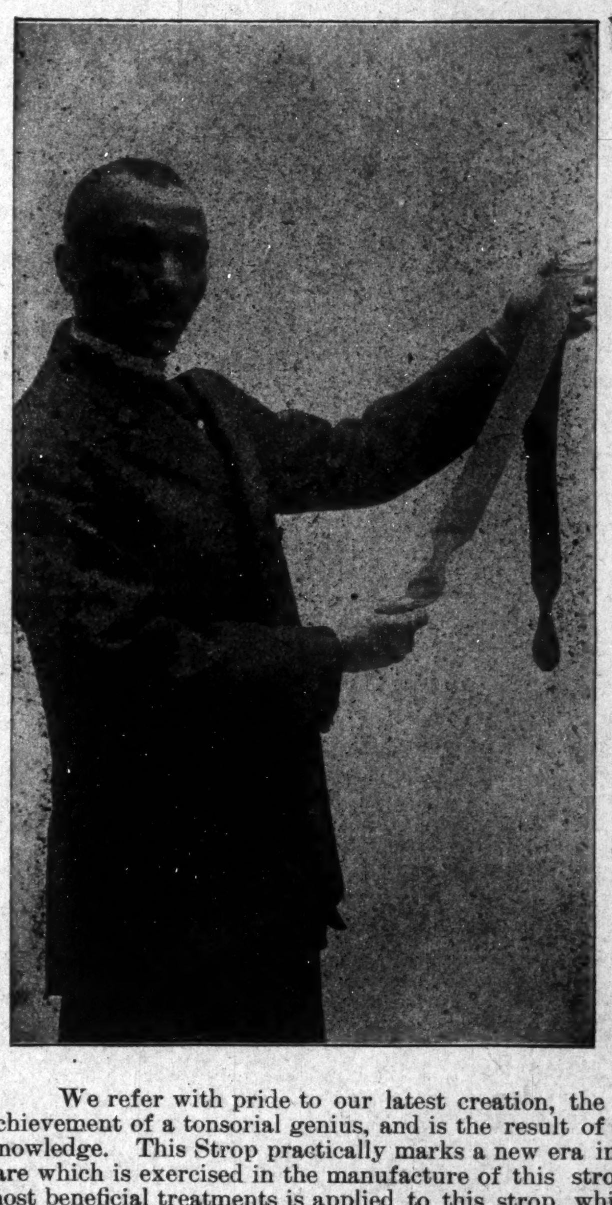

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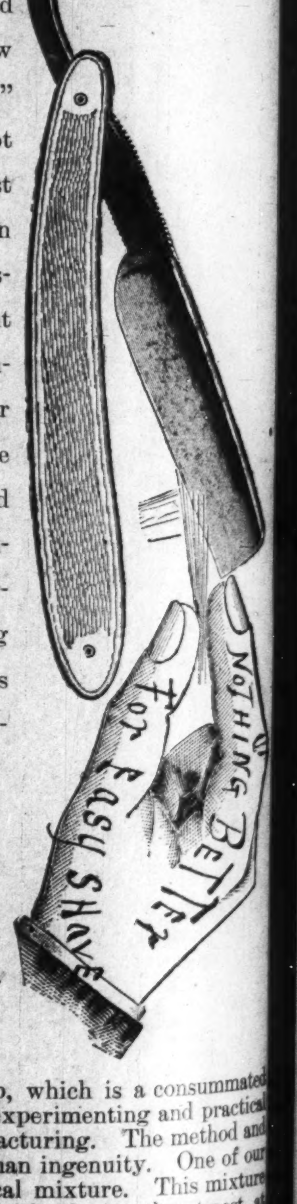

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Commencement Address by Prof. Jos. L. Wiley, A. B., Principal of Fessenden Academy and Industrial School, Fessenden, Fla.

[There are two schools down in Florida that are holding up Tuskegee ideals. The address below is by the principal of one, Fessenden Academy and Industrial School, to the students and friends at Commencement; of the other, Robert Hungerford Normal and Industrial School at the largest Negro town in America, Eatonville, Fla. Prof. R. C. Calhoun, graduate of Tuskegee, is principal of the Hungerford School, which is destined to become one of the great schools of Florida.]

The existence of man is made resultful by the reciprocal help of all races and nations. It is as true now as in the olden days, "Man does not live unto himself, alone." He lives with others, for others; influences others, is influenced by others regardless of all human resistance. The influence should be directed along rational lines in order that co-operation may be energetic.

Men and races often shut themselves within, shunning toil, needs, duties or help because of others. Such have been found to be losers in life's march, for they deprive themselves of all the glad joy earned because of human triumph and the inspiring glory of successful existence. This shutting in is really self-imprisonment for the greatest punishment known to man is solitary confinement. With all avenues of escape and lack of co-operation removed, races and individuals pine away. No hearts are brave enough and strong enough to endure the trying ordeal for silenced becomes the voice of happiness and dethroned is the reason.

Since man is so social that he is helpless alone and must be helped by others in order that he may help himself and them, it follows that good fellowship along all lines must be practiced in order that he may round out a glorious existence.

Often there have appeared great mental and industrial lights above the common horizon of human standards, but these great spirits would have been alone in purpose and lost to obscurity had it not been for the co-operating multitudes. The highest and best of life comes through working together for good. The human race is developed through co-operation and dwarfed by isolation. This is pointed out in the command by the Great Teacher to love the neighbor as one's very self. It would follow as a natural sequence that all should strive to co-operate in rational, economic and forceful things which improve the human race and fit the world for habitation.

SELFISHNESS A BAR TO CO-OPERATION.

All things that hinder human co-operation ought to be labeled as baneful and shunned as poison. There is no trait of the human race that acts as a greater bar to this than selfishness, which hides itself under cover of individual and race pride. The selfish rich man who is too small to use his great power in co-operation with great forces for the advance of the human intellect is a bar to civilization and is a reminder of the fable which tells about the dog at the hay-stack and the ox he starved. China has lost so much more than she will ever gain by her walls and sequestering customs. She suffers and marches in the rear of the nations for her false pride.

In like manner sectionalism in this country fosters community selfishness, shuts in the narrow and shuts out the broad things, dwarfs the intellects and souls of its advocates and acts as a human blight. Sectionalism is to be dreaded as is the red flag of the anarchist for both stand opposed to the larger co-operation which brings happiness to the hearts and prosperity to the homes of humanity. The defenders of sectionalism are the defenders of selfishness, strife and clannishness. All such prophets of evil have hate as the chief tenet of existence. Their voices, though eloquent, only echo sentiments of the demons of darkness. All such men in public or private life are positive injury to, the larger co-operation or races and nations. On the other hand, the advocates of love, and peace, and industry are the good prophets of the brighter days when there shall be sweeter morals and purer laws and co-operation shall be fully realized.

The voices of such men ring now and shall ever ring with the choruses of the angels for their lives are inspiring and ennobling to their fellow-man.

PREJUDICE A GREAT BAR TO CO-OPERATION.

Prejudice of Americans against Europeans or of the Greek against the Jew, or of the white against the darker races, can yield the world no worthy results. Prejudice is a sore, world-wide, nad hinders the healthy co-operation needed. It arrays men against one another, breeds violent, viperous and malignant actions, takes advantage of humility and industry and surely retards the co-operative forces of the world. The wastes of national and universal energy pay dearly for the prejudice of man.

The teachers of prejudice have ever held the attentive ears of man to his own hurt. It is refreshing to note that the apostles of race prejudice are growing fewer. There are only a few rare specimens left that are chiefly valued because of their dense hypocrisy and clownish antics that were parts of a religion of ancient days. The busy world is not seriously listening to the cant of the advocates of mob law, prejudice and sectionalism.

In the same manner the teaching of caste that would look down upon the men and the women who are useful, who bear the burdens of republics and kingdoms, is being exposed as a fraud. The day will come when the advocates of caste in India, who will not drink at the same well, will die of thirst as they should. In this broad, bright land we should give no serious heed to the caste or prejudice that is un-Christian, or that hinders civil, moral, industrial or religious co-operation.

The very union of the colonies, and then of the States, indicates the loyalty of all the people, the elevation of all the people and the value through co-operation of all the people.

IRRATIONAL LAWS DO NOT HELP.

The pusillanimous small minded legislator that gets into a legislative body and begins setting in operation forces that stop the wheels of industry has his counterpart in the other base being busily studying how he may degrade, dishearten, humiliate and oppress, through unjust and segregating laws, any part of the body politic. Laws that are unjust breed a spirit of lawlessness and instead of enthroning law and order they develop a spirit of hate and a cause to rule the spirit of injustice. Evil sentiments embodied in laws that are punitive and worse than expos factor or attainder laws directed at any fractional part of the citizens of this republic are only worthy of being forever repealed as were the witchcraft laws of Massachusetts and the setting aside the punishment by the thumbscrew, rack and other torture for religious belief in France.

All crime, including mob law, must be condemned by all the races that make up the republic. And let it be remembered that none are guilty until proven so in a just court of competent jurisdiction. The cowardly act of giving way to the cry of the unjust bands of furious men can not give any people a standing for justice, Heaven's best gife.

Cowardly advantage taken of men who are down is unworthy, as are laws that bristle with hate and caste. The price paid for oppression has ever been dear. Live and let live and dread the judgments of the mills of the gods when injustice shall be arraigned. The work of the world is being retarded through unjust laws and soon may the legislative halls be filled with men who will repudiate every law that places any honorable citizen in an uncompromising position.

UNFAIRNESS IN JUDGMENT.

Opinions and attitudes that blame a whole people for the acts of a few are unfair. The judgment that is pronounced before the proof is all in, is unwise and possibly unfair. In order that all may be fair, let judgments be even handed and based upon facts and then there shall be greater working together for the common good of the country.

FRIENDLINESS PROMOTES CO-OPERATION.

There must be trust and friendship or there can be no restful co-operation. Not only is this true of individuals and citizens of the same country, but it is equally as true of nations. The men who make knives in Germany, and cloth in England, are dependent upon the friendliness of the world if they are to have factories and foreign commerce of any magnitude. In the same way co-operation will life every honorable calling and promote every race and nation.

Misunderstanding, dishonest dealings, laxness of execution and misrepresentation are forces that destroy co-operation, while trickery, oppression and laziness are worse in so far as co-operation is concerned than the worst scourge of disease. The confidence of neighbors must be won and maintained. Low standards of living, the taking sides with the villian or the standing for bad government will not win the friendship of sane and responsible people. When the good name and the character of the individual race or nation are questioned, then co-operation is endangered, the good will sequester themselves and the bad will find themselves quarrantined by social and unwritten laws that hem in and protect the good from the bad.

LESSONS OF CO-OPERATION FROM BATTLEFIELDS.

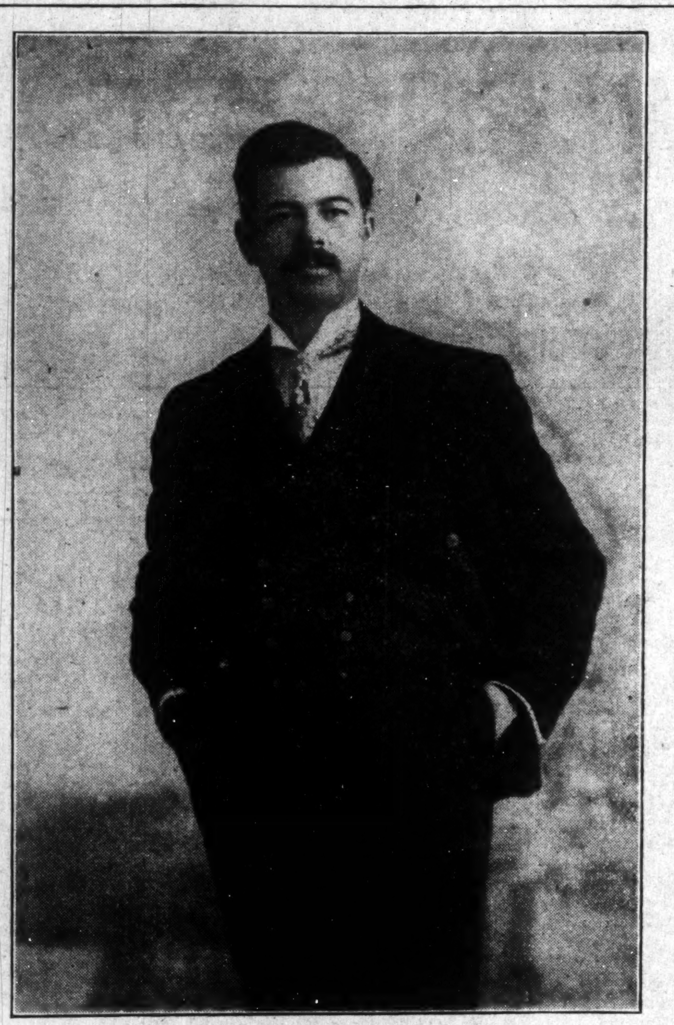
Man's dread and power are shown through co-operation on many a cruel and bloody battlefield. Forceful, indeed, are the lessons taught there. These lessons we would take into our industrial, intellectual and moral activities.

The school boy's heart thrills as he marches with the victorious and co-operating legions of Xerxes, Alexander, Caesar, Napoleon, Washington and Toussaint L' Overture. He sees even from the first that the soldier who can get the co-operation from other soldiers is called a patriot and a great general. This commander in civil activity is simply the great captain of industrial activity. But on twith the lesson from the fields of battle. The soldiers march and fight and die together and then they are idolized by their nativeland because their co-operation has made it possible for a new flag to wave amongst the armies of the world. They have defended national honor and tasted even red death that they might co-operate with the leader at the front.

LARGE NUMBERS NOT ALL THE TIME NECESSARY.

Even upon Fame's eternal camping ground, the greatest honors and the best co-operation did not at all times come through large numbers. The price was discipline of forces, loyalty, purpose and tradition.

Co-operation of military forces has written imperishably all the honored names upon the scroll of Fame. The three hundred Lacedomonians stood guarding the pass at Thermopylae which guarded all that was dear to them. Against the immortal three hundred stood the immortal ten thousand Persians. The Greeks were set upon by the Persians, but through wonderful co-operation the Grecians were invincible and even the greatest fury of ten thousand could not reduce the palace so lang as there was co-operation. One trecherous Greek soldier was able to do more than the furious foes. He betrayed the strength and then his fellow countrymencountrymen fell. In industrial activity there is needed loyalty to purpose and plans as was held by the dear Greeks. The disorganizers and grumblers, without cause, are as despisable as the traitorous Greek soldier who caused to fail the immortal three hundred.



JOSEPH L. WILEY, A. B.,
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Freedom's cause has ever been advanced by the co-operation of the good. The black Washington of the West Indies has emphasized this by his great victories these and intense co-operation he was through co-operation. He stood at the head of some thousands of degraded and oppressed slaves made into soldiers. With to win the independence of Hayti. The opposing armies that doubted the co-operation of Toussaint's forces are there waiting in Haytian graves. These soldiers—some the pride of England, others the flower of France and the picked men of Spain—bear testimony in their silent waiting for the judgment day, that even despised forces through co-operation won the island away from caste, abolished slavery, enthroned Freedom, where before unbridled oppression had held sway.

It matters not what may be the present conditions of this island and the descendants of the soldiers, the world will never forget the lesson of co-operation taught by this great warrior, and a despised army.

As these co-operated in dread war, so may others in peaceful co-operation win honor and renown in the school, the mine, the home, the factory, on land or sea. Remaining there are more civil triumphs and glorious results of peace than all the triumphs of war, emblazoned on the pages of history.

WASHINGTON BELIEVED IN CO-OPERATION.

Our own beloved Washington, the father of this country, is a hero because he co-operated with the poor, the rich, the able and the brave, to free this country from the tyrant's yoke. Facing booming cannon and hissing shells he co-operated with the ideas and ideals of Patrick Henry and Thomas Jefferson, the Adamses and Franklin, Hamilton and others who idolized freedom. Over snow and ice, dividing with barefoot soldiers whose blood-stained footprints marked the journey and encouraging and inspiring in the darkest hours of this country, we must recognize him as the great co-operator. He overcame obstacles that would have overcome weaker hearts. Through all he marched and fought and made possible this Republic. His power of working with others for good is shown by his cause drawing from France, Lafayette, the beloved, Kosiusco, the brave, De Kalb, the wonderful, and others brave and true. With all these representatives of other countries he worked for good. Though this lesson comes through war, it has a great duty and teaches us if so much might be achieved in war, that more is possible in the sweet moments of peace.

JAPAN WINS THROUGH CO-OPERATION.

In the Orient there is a nation that is little as to stature, but large as to achievements. This nation now holds the admiration and close attention of the civilized world. Only a few years ago its ancestors ate savage food and lived the savage life, but to-day through co-operation the men of Japan have lighted the torches of knowledge and the lamps of wisdom burn there. The schools, universities, navy, army, cities and great industrial activity are wonders of co-operative energy.

Their national pride is indeed great and is strengthened by their faculty for working the one for the other and for the common good. They have complete racial solidarity, which made it possible for the wonderful achievements on land and sea of her warring forces.

Through social, military and industrial co-operation, Japan humbled the Goliath of nations, Russia, and distates the policy of the East. The millions of China await the commands of the island empire. The Mikado is not only the Mikado of Japan, but is the Mikado of the Orient. The ships of Japan are respected and there is no water large enough to float a single craft of the empire where the flag of Japan would be insulted without fear and trembling. The army and navy of Japan are but the indices of the co-operative conditions existing there. The government administers for the good of all, many of the utilities which in America are made oppressive upon those that support the same.

THE ESTIMATE OF JAPAN HELD BY AMERICA.

Our own great men and the nation at large, recognizing this highly developed force in the Japanese Empire, relieves itself of color caste in so far as Japan is concerned. Our undeveloped statesmen in both houses recognize the power, dignity and position of the land of the cherry blossom. We set new standards and send out war vessels off on the longest cruise made in the history of the world to bear greetings of amity and respect to the Mikado's realms. Unless Japan had shown her ability to use this all conquering force of pulling together and making strong pulls, the United States would have sprned her in the same way as she does the lands of the Hottentots. Power, great strength, dignity and respect come to individuals and nations through co-operation. Decay and death come fast upon those who choose or attempt to follow other paths.

The soldier has taught the cvilian a great lesson and may his mission end with this lesson. We would have forever the names and the deeds of heroes to be inscribed in the annals of the world, not because of strife, but because of the co-operative lessons taught. The age of the world now demands the realization of the best, through co-operation. Instead of death we want life, instead of misery, joy and instead of pain, health. From the past we would gain the lessons that will bring this golden ave in our own time. Through the great force of co-operation we would learn to respect every nation and tongue. The universal peace of the world is to be brought about through the co-operation of the nations. The co-operation of the present generation as to the best ideals of iife, must be as loyal to right standards, as was the old soldiers concerning the glory and enlarged national pride, that came through the fruits of victory. The co-operation needed should leave no question as to whether men are improving and growing into higher realms of thought and action. The wayfarer should be able to see that hrough the ages "one increasing purpose runs and that the thoughts of men are widened through the process of the suns."

GRAND IDEALS NECESSARY TO THE REALIZATION OF EFFICIENT CO-OPERATION.

Tradition, training and ideals have so much to do with this great force. There are dollars enough in many a town to start a national bank or factory, but there are not sufficient tradition, training and ideals. There are heads enough, but they are not co-operative heads. Every locomotive, steamship, great canal, famous school and successful government are apt illustrations of what may be produced through co-operation. As long as France co-operated, she ran successfully the Suez Canal and could have finished the Panama Canal, had not her DeLesseps been betrayed by those who were selfish and dishonest. Benedict Arnold, Cataline and Judas Iscariot were all traitors because they had not the correct ideals of a R-oman State, a great Republic, or a saving Christ. We must have the conception of the organization of which we are to be a part. There must be woven in our nature such ideals as will cause us to patiently work with others and as they work for results.

PERSIAN IDEALS OF ZORASTER.

In order that his fellows might have the ideals that would permit them to work along strong lines in life, the great Persian teacher, Zoraster, in the book, Zendaavesta, taught them that there existed two spirits in the world. These contend daily for the mastery of the individual soul. The one is making all evil things and the other is striving to replace all evil with all good. The evil spirit, called Ahriman, is making pestilence, war, noxious weeds, malignant diseases, thorns and death; the good spirit, Ormazd, is busy destroying the creations of the evil spirit. He would give life and joy and would have the earth properly fitted for the habitation of man. He would have man developed socially, morally, intellectually and industrially. These ideals have gvien Persia a national existence that could not be, if these ideals were obliterated. The duty of all who believed in the good spirit and wanted it to triumph was to kill serpents, uproot weeds, rid the earth of pestilence and to honor the tiller of the soil. Under these ideals agriculture was a sacred calling and these who sided with the good spirit were co-operating for the good of the world through Zorasteranism.

The ideals of Zoraster may not be our own, but without some, we shall be without results along the lines of co-operation. Standards of correct living crystalized into national existence, standards that will bear the scrutinizing tests of the ages will conttribute to the securing of results racially and nationally. For the sake of the present and the future every good ideal and work should be held up to the young, that they may understand each other and have chart and compass by which to march and sail. Through tradition, ideals, long and patient training of the hand, head and heart, results may be achieved that will outrival the ancient Babylon and all the forced glory of the past.

Co-operation is not found in any highly developed form or satisfactorily applied in savage tribes, ignorant peoples or lunatic asylums. It takes brains and industry to co-operate. We find this power more often in the ranks of the good, as shown in the church, the school, the home and helpful nations called civilized.

The apostles of co-operation have been benefactors of all ages. It blesses not only those that follow, but those that lead. After pleading for co-operation of the Anthenians, Demosthenese himself was blessed with the award of the golden crown, Cicero, though small of stature, and weakly, won the high place in the hearts of the people, through his denunciation of Cataline. Cataline did not believe in loyal co-operation and Cicero did.

America has given to the world one of its greatest prophets of co-operation of all good forces. I refer to that wonderful genius—Professor Booker T. Washington—who gave you your principal of this school, after whom your beautiful building is named and who is in theory and practice one of the world's greatest co-operators. If you are inclined to think your road long and steep, think how much more you have to start with than that poor, neglected boy had when he slept under the sidewalks of Richmond. I point you with pride to this life that is an inspiration for any people. The golden text of his life has been co-operate with good forces.

His efforts to home a people, to lift a people, through education and Christianity for nobler and better living are well known. If you will but co-operate with his teachings you shall march in the van of the onward peoples of the earth. If you could stand on the hills of Tuskegee and see there the greatest example of civil co-operation in the South, you would understand the value of all its lessons.

CLEAN LIVES NECESSARY.

Clean lives are necessary in order that co-operation may be lasting. The golden rule must be followed if successful co-operation is to be carried on. The betrayal of high ideals, the failure to apply correct teachings, or living meanly, remove from the great field of active co-operation.

THE PLEADINGS OF CHAMPIONS.

Orators, priests and poets have made it their life business to plead for the co-operation of the masses. The advice and wisdom which comes through their lives ought to inspire men to march onward and upward in all lives of helpful co-operation.

It matters not what calling you may follow, be honest and true. There is no position you can fill well unless you are going to put in practice the worthy things you have learned. Co-operate through these lessons with the best that life offers and then the world shall have braver men and happier women. The farms undeveloped, the churches unbuilt and a thousand other things, await the the men who have power to conquer through co-operation. Do not spurn humble beginnings in business. The greatest capital after all is intelligence, a trade or profession, health, honesty, industry and the power to co-operate. Through these poverty may be exchanged for wealth, ignorance for intelligence, the cabin for the palatial home and obscurity for renown.

The forces that touch sobriety and temperance help in days of trial and need. The doors of caste can only be battered down by the co-operation of the good forces. The inequalities of the law and unfair play in all sections will not give way, until men live loyal to the sober and industrious demands of life.

Fall in line; help others, for that is the only way to help yourselves. In the rise of its various peoples the nation will rise. Subjection is a millstone. In America we want co-operation and not subjugation, elevation and not degradation.

THE FUTURE BRIGHT.

The way ahead is not so dark as it used to be. Lincoln, Grant and Douglass have made it brighter. Strong friends now co-operate. Mr. Andrew Carnegie has given bounteously to elevate the youth, the richest of men, Mr. Rockefeller, has poured out millions for the educating of mankind, and hundreds of others have aided. It rests with you to do your part by co-operating with all forces for good. If you do you will have trained intellects that will continue to grow. Reason, wisdom, friends, culture and character shall be your portion.

The training of school, church, business corporation and the best governed homes all have the tendency to bring about in communities and in the nation the energetic co-operation that will mean greater saving of time, money and life.

In the womb of time there is a day that shall dawn when men shall think and act together regardless of all the foolish bearers now existing. The higher modes of thinking shall indeed draw the nations and peoples of the earth closer together for greater good.

The mine, the factory, commerce, science, art, transportation, agriculture and all public utilities, through closer co-operation of men as brothers, shall be more equitably operated and yield to every generation the unit values of the individuals of that time.

This desirable condition will be hastened, if men practice the virtues of life. There must be willingness to fulfill promptly all human obligations that confidence, the common tie of humanity, may be securely established. When the human record shows nobler thinking, and that the efforts of the masses and the classes are for following in the pathway of usefulness and duty for others, no more shall we see divergencies that are criminal when the best interests of man are considered.

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Rev. L. M. Hagood is in the city

G. W. Mack left last Tuesday for French Lick, Ind.

Clyde Radliffe of Frankfort was in the city this week.

George F. Dungey spent last Sunday at Michigan City, Ind.

Thomas Floyd is seriously ill at his home in West Pratt street.

Mrs. Frances Nailor is spending the summer at Brockville, Canada.

Rev. D. E. Skelton left Saturday for Chicago to hold quarterly conference.

Mrs. Nina Floyd Board and little son Floyd have returned from Chicago.

Rev. A. Cottman, pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. Church is ill at his home in Manlove avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Brown of Los Angeles are visiting friends and relatives in this city.

Elder Rollins, wife and daughter of North Vernon, Ind., visited friends in the city last week.

Mr. Green, messenger to Senator Hemingway was in the city Tuesday en route to Chicago.

Miss Willard Webber will leave next Tuesday for Chicago to visit her aunt Mrs. Nannie H. Sterrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Radliffe attended the Cnnningham-Radliffe wedding at Frankfort this week.

Rev. Joshua Stansfield delivered an address at the reception to the graduates at Simpson Chapel.

Mrs. Ella Clay left Monday for Washington, D. C., and other eastern points for an indefinite stay.

Children's Day will be observed at Barnes Chapel tomorrow at 2 o'clock. An excellent program will be given.

Bishop C. H. Phillips and Dr. Scott of Nashville, Tenn., of the C. M. E. church will be in the city next week.

James W. Montgomery, soap demonstrator, of Decatur, Ill., is in the city for two weeks at one of the department stores.

George L. Knox will deliver an address at the special exercises to be held by the F. and A. M. at Rushville, Ind., June 23.

Rev. J. S. Bailey presided at the Methodist Ministers' Meeting at the Roberts Park Church last Monday morning.

Miss Mamie Clay, who is in the employ of the True Reformers at Richmond. Va., is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

T. Q. Brown left Tuesday to attend the convention of the stockholders of the Siren Gold Mining and Milling Co., at Denver, Col.

Thomas E. Taylor, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. will attend the International Sunday School Convention at Louisville next week.

Clarence Jackson and son, of Springfield, O., were in the city a few days the first of the week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McCann.

Dr. Lewis Brown will deliver a special sermon to the graduates of the High Schools at St. Philips Episcopal Church at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Samuel Welch, accompanied by Dr. J. H. Ward left Wednesday for Chicago, in his Carter Car Roadster to attend the National Convention.

A. E. Manning, W. A. Kersey, J. H. Lott, George L., and Elwood C. Knox, James N. Shelton, Emsirdell Stone, Gurley Brewer, William Wilson, Joe Porter, Jerry McAfee. Charles Baughman and Alex Nichols will attend the Republican National Convention at Chicago next week.

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T. L. McDowell, and little son Alfred Norrell, of Birmingham, Ala., who have been visiting the former's sister Mrs. J. W. Norrell have returned home.

Mrs. Dallas Harper, of Chicago was in the city last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Eliza Edwards. Mrs. Harper was formerly Miss Kathyrn Rich of this city.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Lexington Conference convenes at Simpson Chapel Wednesday morning at 9;30. On Friday night, Dr. M. C. B. Mason will deliver a lecture.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Parrish of Marion Ala., announce the marriage of their daughter, Evelyn Viveine to Prof. William Dorondo Edington, formerly of this city. Prof. and Mrs. Edington will be at home after July, 2, at Philadelphia, Tenn.

George L. Knox received an invitation to make the reply at the unveiling of the portrait of Frederick Douglass at the Historical Building at the State Capitol Building in the presence of the governor and state officers at Des Moines, Ia., Thursday. On account of business engagements, Mr. Knox was unable to accept.

You will miss a fine opportunity to enjoy yourself out of the city if you don't accompany Grenadier Company No. 7, U. R. K. of P. to Greencastle, Ind., Thursday, June 18, on its first annual outing. Band concert by K. of P. band, ball game between A. B. C.'s of Indianapolis and Columbia Giants of Terre Haute. An exhibition drill by Grenadier Company in the afternoon. There is an excellent stream for fishing just a short distance from the ball park. At night there will be a public initiation and ball. Train leaves Union Station at 11:20 a. m. via Big Four. Fare round trip, 80 cents. Tickets good returning Friday night, June 19.

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The Colored Y. M. C. A. Orchestra has placed a piano in the building as a result of the recital of Clarence Cameron White, and on each Sunday afternoon will play during the hours of 3 to 5 the building will be open during the afternoon. All men are invited.

The Men's Sunday Morning Bible Class had twenty-one in attendance last Sunday. This class meets promptly at 8:30 and closes promptly at 9:30. All men are invited. We exepect over twenty-five next Sunday morning; will you be one? Bring a friend with you. Rev. C. W. McColl will teach the class, and his subject will be, "The Mysterious Bride of Christ."

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Peter Dealy has purchased a nice lot on South Koskiakia street and is preparing to build a fine house on it....Miss Henrietta King, of Springfield, left recently for her home after a pleasant visit with Mrs. Ovenia Hyatt....Mrs. C. H. Freeman and Ruth Damons are visiting friends in Iowa. ....Mrs. Peter Dealy and daughter Cliota were Griggsville visitors recently....Geneva Taylor and Alma Sutton led prayer meeting Wednesday night, June 3, at the Second Christian Church....Misses Mammie Jones and Icy Seymour are still very ill....Mrs. Peter Dealy is on the sick list. ....Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed, of Peoria, Ill., attended the Norton trial....Miss Nellie M. Early was entertained June 3 at the home of Mrs. Reveris at an excellent dinner, on West Superior avenue....Frank Mallory and little Gracie Mallory took a trip ti Chicago, Ill., June 2, to see Mr. Clay Mallory, who has been quite ill.... Mr. and Mrs. Philip Errington and Mr. and Mrs. Goeffry Dale lately departed for New York, from whence they will sail for Europe. They will stop over in London, Paris, Berlin, Marsielles and many other places of note, where they will study art. They will be accompanied by Josie Waddie, Jessie Allen and Alberta O'Leary.... Julia Berry is slowly improving from her illness....Prof. Chas. E. Stewart and wife have a very nice photo in a book printed in Ohio. They were recently married at Zanesville, Ohio, at the home of the bride. Prof. Stewart is professor of instrumental music at Wilburforce University, a graduate of the Balatha Conservatory of Music, Chicago, a student at Illinois Conservatory of Music and a student under N. H. Jones, New York, and Sir Dr. J. Wooton, of Liepsic, Germany. Mrs. Stewart is a former student of Wilburforce University....Rev. E. M. Harlis and Buke Hammers attended the convention at Chapin and Niantic, Ill. Rev. Harlis made able speeches at both places.... Buke Hammers left June 6 for his home near Painsville, Mo., to spend his vacation....Mrs. Maria Price was indisposed a few days last week....Freddie Davis, who had his leg broken recently, is getting along nicely....Miss Lena Douglas, of Springfield, Ill., is in the city on account of her sister's illness, Mrs. Annie Carpenter Brown....Edith Stewart, who has been quite ill, is some better.

LOUISVILLE, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. L. H. Babbage, of French Springs, is in the city visiting her sister....E. W. Willis is on a week's vacation....Mrs. Patsy Hunter, who has been visiting Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Perkins, has returned to her home at Covington, Ky....Mrs. Annie at Miss Josephine Rood G,shrdlu etaoin Belle Carr entertained Miss Lena White at Miss Josephine Rood Thursday evening of last week.

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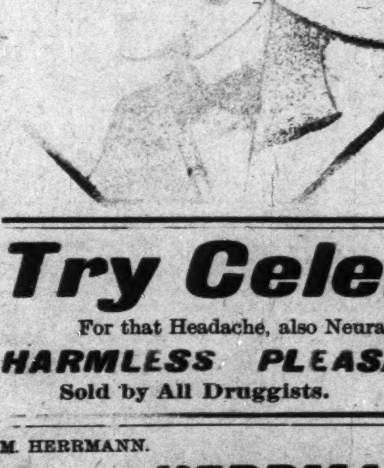

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